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WHITEAWAY'S

BATTLE FOR ETHIOPIA NOW UNDER WAY: BLITZ METHODS ARE ADOPTED

"Reuter's" Special Correspondent with South African Forces in Abyssinia

Feb. 7.—The battle for Abyssinia is now under way. South African troops in large numbers crossed the border from Kenya and captured the strong Italian post at Gorai, a crater twenty miles inside Abyssinia.

The Italians suffered considerable losses both in men and materials. At least thirty Italians were killed, and about the same number were wounded, and forty-seven were taken prisoner.

Desperate Italians Mown Down

Greeks Pursue with Bayonets

LONDON, Feb. 7 (Reuter).—Large forces of advancing Italian infantrymen were literally mown down by Greek fire in a two-hours' abortive attack on the Albanian battle front yesterday, according to the Athens radio to-night.

R. A. F. IN BEST FORM

Bombs Plaster Coast Ports

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".
LONDON, Feb. 7 (UP).—Regarding the overnight R.A.F. activities, the Air Ministry announced that a number of brisk fires were started at Dieppe.

Bombs fell on many docks and basins causing several fires and large explosions during a two-hour raid on Boulogne.

At Dunkirk, bombs burst near some barges and shipping and incendiary bombs caused fires.

At Fécamp the railway and eastern end docks were hit.

At Calais attacks were made from a low level and explosions were observed on the warehouses beside the docks.

Boulogne Masked

LONDON, Feb. 7 (Reuter).—Waves of R.A.F. bombers to-night made an attack of considerable scale on invasion ports on the French coast.

The centre of the attack appeared to be the Boulogne area, which was heavily bombed the previous night.

Fog had blotted out the Channel all day, but to-night there was some improvement although a layer of mist hung over the sea.

The raiders, who dropped parachute flares, were met by terrific anti-aircraft fire, streams of tracer bullets and "flaming onions" which could be seen on the southeast coast above the fog.

The explosion of heavy bombs echoed across the Channel at frequent intervals, and the sky was lit up by brilliant flashes.

Fire Lights Sky

After the raid had been in progress for an hour, two vivid sheets of orange flame shot up from a point east of Boulogne accompanied by violent explosions which shook the doors and windows of houses on the Kent coast.

Sikorski Tells Poland Of Allied Strength

LONDON, Feb. 7 (Reuter).—A German attempt to invade Britain is "doomed to failure" and General Wavell's lightning victories in Libya "are decidedly checking Hitler's plans in the Mediterranean and North Africa."

These were two main points made by General Sikorski, the Polish Premier and C-in-C of the Polish Army, broadcasting to Poland from London to-night.

He stated: "The Germans cannot undertake any serious action in Africa without occupation of French territories on the Mediterranean. But they must first take possession of Malta and it is imperative for Hitler to defeat the invincible British Navy in order to carry German land forces across the sea."

Eritrean Front Breaking

Resistance At Keren

LONDON, Feb. 6 (Reuter).—Two powerful thrusts which are pushing the Italians daily nearer the Red Sea, have brought British forces right up to Keren, town on the main road and railway from Agordat to Massawa and is rapidly increasing the pace of the Italian retreat from Barentu, towards a point twenty miles eastward.

The Italians are reported to be making attempts to resist at Keren no doubt chiefly because local conditions favour them in this respect, but they have come under British fire from batteries brought up the hillside in the last few hours.

In the sector east of Barentu, the Italians have been so persistently harassed that it is very unlikely that more than half their original force will reach the main road from Asmara the capital of Eritrea to Addis Ababa along which they obviously hope to make a getaway more effectively.

KINGLY GIFT

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".

TOKYO, Feb. 7 (Domei).—King Ananda Mahidol of Thailand in celebration of the 2,600th anniversary of the foundation of the Japanese Empire, has presented to the Japanese Emperor a gold cloisonné cigarette box set with diamonds and a gold cloisonné stand. The gifts will be presented to the Emperor by Mr Phra Sri Sene, Thai Minister, in the Imperial Palace on Saturday.

East Africa

Denying with Italian East Africa, the communiqué added that a South African Air Force squadron patrolling near Asmara encountered enemy fighters and shot down two of them.

Other aircraft of the same squadron machine-gunned Bahadar aerodrome, destroying three enemy aircraft and causing a large petrol fire.

Keren was again bombed, particularly the railway and military buildings, while bombs were also dropped on a large transport yard at Assab.

In Albania

In Albania, military objectives west of Tepelin and Krahid were bombed on Thursday, and direct hits on military stores and transports were observed.

The weather during the raid was very bad and one British aircraft was lost.

Italians Get Down To Job. They Know

CAPETOWN, Feb. 7 (Reuter).—Some 4,000 Italian prisoners of war will be employed on the construction of a national road from Cape Town to Worcester and through Montagu Pass.

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The announcer stated that the Italians were driven back, leaving many dead on the field. The Greeks made a bayonet charge and drove the Italians beyond their lines, taking many prisoners and a considerable quantity of war material.

This desperate Italian attack was launched when the weather was still bad and was supported by an artillery barrage.

Middle East Air Arm

Desert, East Africa And Albanian Actions

CAIRO, Feb. 7 (Reuter).—R.A.F. activities before the capture of Benghazi are described in a communiqué issued from R.A.F. headquarters in the Middle East.

The communiqué states: "Bombing aircraft of the R.A.F. carried out raids on Benghazi, Berka and Jendaby during Wednesday night. Several tons of bombs were dropped and considerable damage was caused, including one enemy aircraft destroyed by a direct hit."

"Our fighters continued offensive patrols during which machine-gun attacks were made on the aerodrome at Benina and a number of enemy bombers on the ground were damaged."

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STOCK EXCHANGE

War News Bucks Up
Depressed Shares

LONDON, Feb. 7 (Reuter).—On the Stock Exchange to-day, sentiment which was early depressed on taxation uncertainties sharply improved on news of the capture of Benghazi. Widespread small losses were generally regarded.

Not gains were recorded in several sections of industrials, including textiles and tobacco.

Oils improved while gilt-edged holdings and South African mining securities were generally unchanged on the day.

Among the foreign bonds, Belgian four per cent, stocks continued to advance.

Wall Street was dull and easy.

LONDON, Feb. 7 (Reuter).—It was learnt to-night that Lord Moyne is among those mentioned as successor to Lord Lloyd as Colonial Secretary. An official announcement will be made shortly.

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W. F. SIMMONS,
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Hongkong, 1st February, 1941.

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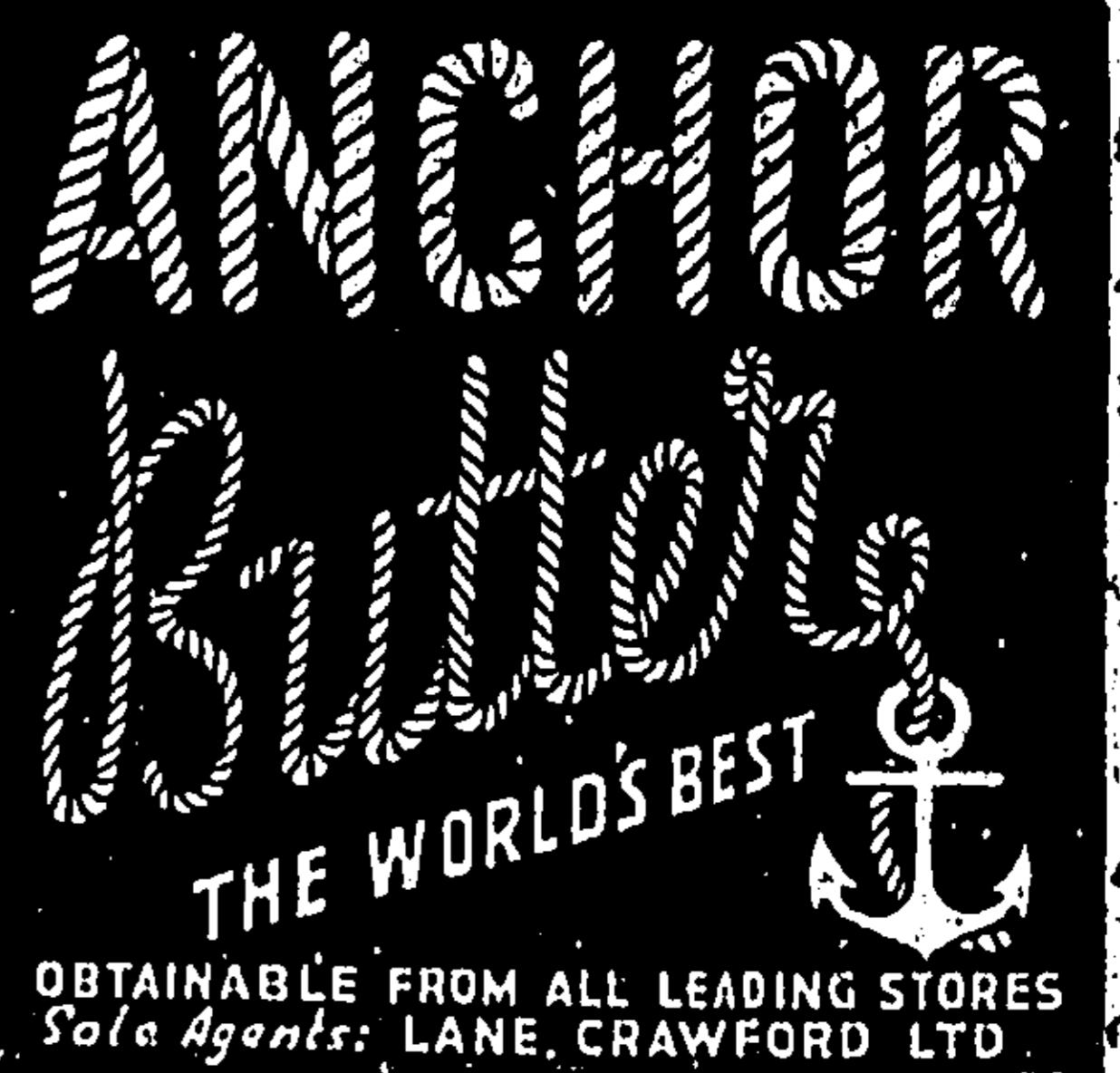
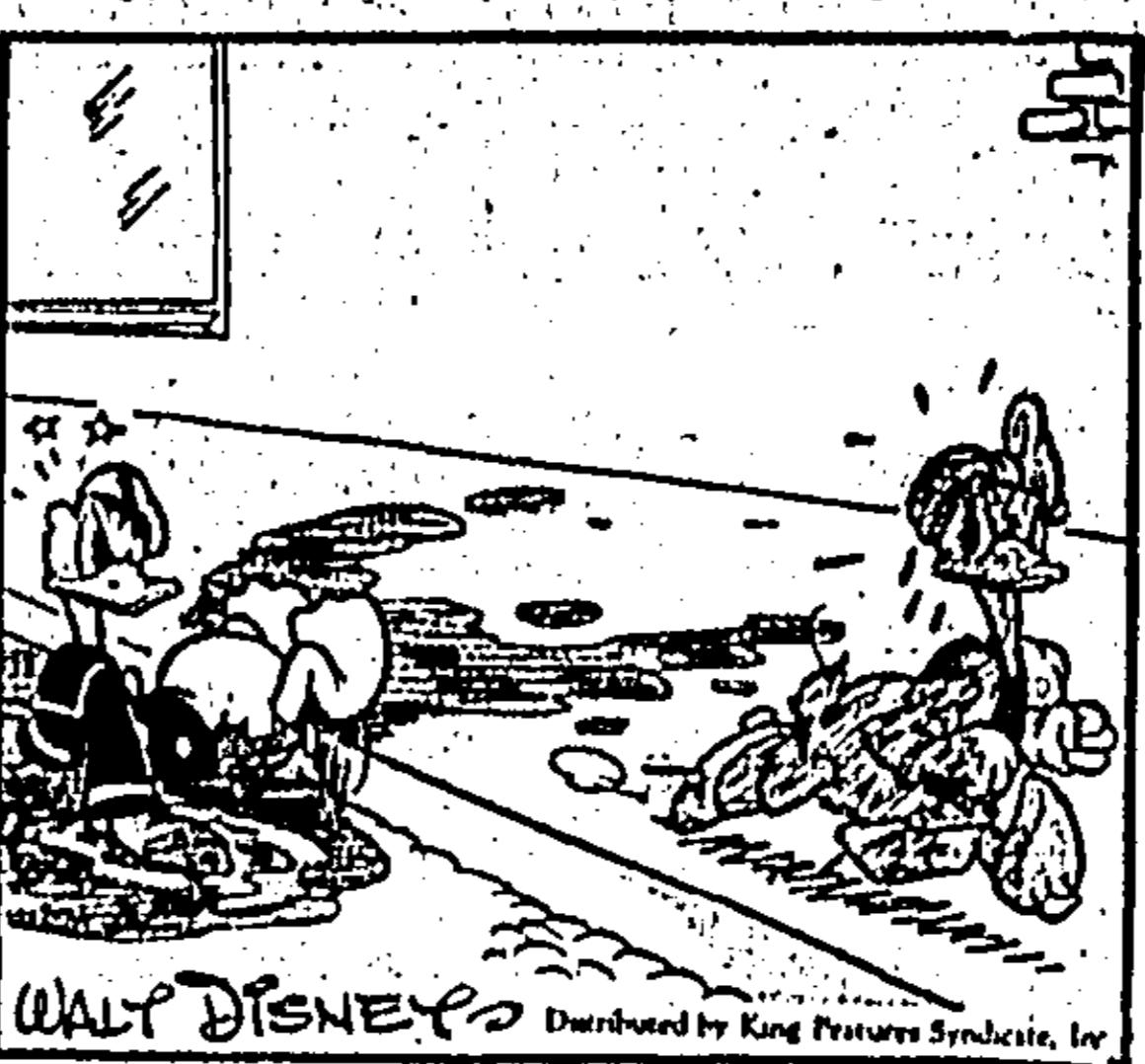
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DONALD DUCK



By Walt Disney



What a tremendous opportunity!

I refer to the report that Mussolini has appointed Count Volpi to negotiate with British interests for the evacuation of about 200,000 Italian colonists from Abyssinia.

If I were the Prime Minister, I would guarantee to deliver every one of them back to Italy, subject, of course, to necessary terms and assurances. If possible, I would use British ships, and insist upon "seeing them home." Such an act would be a crowning achievement in diplomatic propaganda. Imagine the object lesson to the Italians if their own people were returned home safely to their own ports in British ships. They could not ignore the humanitarian aspect on the part of the people against whom they have been forced to take up arms. What a homecoming for them! What a magnificent gesture! What a tremendous opportunity!

INDUSTRIALISATION OF HONGKONG

The vital importance of encouraging the industrialisation of Hongkong cannot be overstressed. The prosperity of any race or country depends upon its industrialism, and both the inhabitants and the Government must do all in their power to establish a firm foundation on which Hongkong's future prosperity will be built.

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Of recent years, factories of every description have sprung up in the Colony. They have carried the name of Hongkong to the four corners of the earth, and Hongkong has been the gainer in that the volume of actual trade (apart from goods in transit) has been largely supported by the export of goods manufactured within the Colony.

It stands to reason that factories, if properly supervised and controlled, are assets which every country must encourage. They absorb a considerable percentage of the population. They contribute directly to the revenue of the country, and they make it possible for their workers to make their indirect contribution.

Unfortunately, officialdom has, to a certain extent, hindered rather than encouraged industrialism in the past. The restrictions and difficulties which have been placed in the path of the pioneers have hindered the progress so desired. In spite of difficulties, much has been done, but much more can be done if judicious control is exercised, and genuine enterprise fostered. The Colony maintains itself out of its trade, and the healthier that is, the greater the revenue so urgently required for so many needs.

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BEHIND THE HEADLINES
By JOHN BLUNT

It is the greatest crusade ever undertaken by men of this world to defend the right, and to restore the happiness and freedom of alien nations who now lie crushed and bleeding under the cloven roof of the very devil incarnate. It is an act not entirely divorced from fear—but it is a righteous fear, from which has been born a mutual determination to ensure that men, women and children of the British Empire and the United States never shall be slaves.

No words can adequately describe the momentousness of the

Anglo-American Crusade. In a sense it implies a determination to make certain that the fittest will survive—the fittest physically, mentally and, most importantly of all, morally. How greatly this is appreciated by the United States has been evidenced by the inspiring and spontaneous gesture of President Roosevelt in going out personally to greet Britain's new Ambassador. It was a great, and yet a simple gesture. Great between his country and the British Empire which will prove diplomatic procedure which will of lasting and mutual benefit to go down in history, and simple in itself, in that it revealed the sincerity general.

which actuated such a departure from the conventional. We are supposed to be an emotional race, but there are times when our feelings are deeply stirred, and I know that British people throughout the Empire were at first surprised, and then grateful, that such a spirit of frankness, kindness and understanding could exist.

The first citizen of the United States surely sealed a bond between his country and the British Empire which will prove

of lasting and mutual benefit to

ourselves and to mankind in general.

CURRENT COMMENT . . . By Scrutineer

There is a parallel between Hitler and Laval in so far as both had to deal with the president of a state who was over eighty years of age. Hitler, who had a good many votes behind him, was able to compel Hindenburg's pusiled hand to sign the document by which he was granted dictatorial power. Laval, without any popular vote behind him but by virtue of the fact that he was supported from Berlin, was able to impose himself upon Marshal Petain. It was the same German bayonets, therefore, which backed both of them.

Laval, who has the most unsavoury reputation in France, has had a rather tortuous career. He was on the suspect list in the last war, i.e. on Carnet B, which meant that he had to be watched by the secret police. It started, as was befitting his humble circumstances, on the left wing of politics, but as his wealth-increased—he moved to the right. It is said he owes his fortune to his association with Francois de Wendel, the potentielle of the Comete des Forges. Cadet, formerly The Times' correspondent in Paris, says that he is the man who is nominated by Hitler to rule France.

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is not due to any affection Hitler may have for that gentleman, but it is intended to show that France is a defected nation and must obey orders.

Assuming Laval gets back to Vichy, the question arises what will Vichy do in Morocco, and what will the French sailors do? It is hard to believe they will fight their ships, and still harder to believe they will hand them over to the Germans.

The present situation, however, does seem to justify the Prime Minister's action at Oran.

WILLKIE'S TOUR

Wendell Willkie has completed his tour of Britain, where he has been gathering evidence and impressions for the benefit of the members of the Foreign Affairs Committee. He praises the steadfast courage and high spirits which he has found in all places and which no bombs, whether incendiary or high explosive, can destroy. He is impressed with the unity that prevails in face of the common danger and with the friendly relations between workmen and employers. He regards Winston Churchill's leadership as inspired and inspiring. It is something of a miracle that the greatest crisis in British history should throw up the ideal leader.

It is clear that Wendell Willkie's testimony before the American Committee will be along the lines he has already indicated. He was at home in England, because he was at the source of American life, the fountain from which come those ideals of independence, justice, individual liberty and all those things which really give human life its value. Wendell Willkie was made to understand what these things really mean, how tenaciously they were being defended, how even life itself was of no account in comparison with the safeguarding of these splendid traditions. These things he saw enlarged, more important, and more vividly important because they were in danger.

They are the principles of life which America holds in affection, but which cannot be enjoyed unless redefined and defended whenever they are threatened.

It is not unreasonable to suppose that Wendell Willkie has increased his prospects of election to the Presidency of the United States in 1944 by his visit to England, seeing that the two Anglo-Saxon nations are destined to march forward in the defence of those things they hold equally dear and to destroy those Nazi forces which threaten them.

BRITISH UNITY

Mr. Wanter, formerly Belgian Minister of Information, writes of London as follows:—

"When I first came here, an English victory was for me a matter of conviction. To-day, it is a matter of certainty. There will be no war of nerves in England and this is not because the English have no nerves. This people is today reaping the benefits of educational methods long applied in England, the effect of which is to develop character rather than intellect. I am struck by the calm discipline and civic spirit of this great nation. Everyone is at his post doing his job in the knowledge his neighbour is doing the same. There are no privileges and no

JAPAN AND THAILAND

The events in Indo-China, where Thailand, or Siam as the Americans call it, has been causing trouble in obedience to the demand for a new order in Asia, have led to an armistice being signed. Japan, who arranged the incident, now arranges

the peace, and as broker she will want a very high commission. Nothing demonstrates so fully the sad plight of France as these vain attempts to exclude, first, the Japanese and, secondly, the Thailanders from Indo-China. France lies there with none to do her reverence—a miserable, emaciated body which attracts the vultures as well as the rats and the maggots.

Japan moves south at the command of Germany in the same way as Thailand moves east at the command of Japan. These movements are preliminary to bigger events and no doubt will take a long time. The negotiations will be protracted, for the next stage is fraught with dire consequences and no one is anxious for zero hour to arrive.

MUSSOLINI'S MISTAKE

The Italians' lust for war is not quite as strong as their lust for victory. Mussolini declared war in June against Britain because he thought victory for the Axis was certain, and he launched his attack against Greece because he was convinced General Metaxas would see that his defeat was certain if he did not yield to the Italian demands. General Metaxas, however, replied by giving an order to his army to resist and added: "We shall win, but in any case remember the Greeks have always preferred Glory to Victory."

Here we see the difference in the mentality between the two peoples. The spirit that dominates the Greeks as they hurl the invaders back out of their country is not to be found in the Italian army. It cannot be, since the Italian knows that deep down in his heart he is merely engaged on a thieving expedition. There is no real inner compulsion. The thief caught redhanded is usually a sorry spectacle. His courage, never very high, at once deserts him and he is an easy prey for the captor.

The Italians in every way have sunk desperately low morally. It will take centuries to live down the horrid stain of dishonour, treachery and cowardice which has marked the Fascist regime since 1923, and especially since linking up with the Nazis in 1936.

It would be more than military catastrophe if these immoral principles upon which Nazism and Fascism stand, were to prevail. The Greeks and the British, however, have shown that the enemy forces, however great, must yield before the assaults of those who are conscious of the righteousness of their own cause and of the fundamental evil nature of the enemy's.

LORD LLOYD

Lord Lloyd's death removes a vital figure from public life. As Secretary of State for the Colonies he recently made a special appeal for funds to buy mobile canteens. Hongkong Rotary Club immediately sent £300. The British Council, of which he was chairman, recently made an annual grant of one thousand pounds to the University of Hongkong which will be supplemented and enable twenty students from the interior of China to study here. As such scholarships will bring the University into close contact with educational institutions on the mainland, it is the sort of grant that will have beneficial and far-reaching effects. The Rhodes Trustees have also allotted a lump sum of £1,000 to Hongkong University for two scholarships to be held in Oxford.

The speaker suggested that there should be two newspapers produced in England: one for America to read and one for British readers. This is the sort of thing that is done in Germany, where the right hand is not allowed to know what the left is doing. Somehow or other, the Germans cannot or will not understand that British people prefer the truth, however unpalatable it may sometimes be; they fight better when they know the worst.

The Germans were recently saying that Britain was beaten, only she did not know it; the ship of state was sinking they said, and the passengers should now be taking to the boats. The Captain and officers however who should go down with the ship were keeping the one life boat for themselves and letting the passengers drown. Now they do not believe this to be the case. In fact, they suspect it is all a trap to lure Germany on to invading England. What is certain is that they cannot make head or tail of this situation in Britain, which they now believe is far stronger than they ever imagined.

He said the plotters had planned to murder the Admiral's suite and force the release of Nazi leaders in Hungary.

The murder of the Hungarian Minister of the Interior was also planned by the Nazis.

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Szalasi, leader of the Arrow Cross

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LEADING LEAGUE TEAMS EXPECTED TO WIN WEEK-END SOCCER MATCHES

(By "SCRAMBLER")

AS FAR AS THE Senior League standing is concerned, there is still no change with Sing Tao leading by two points with one game more than South China and Eastern trailing one point behind. This week's games will not, I am certain, affect the position in any way, as the leading teams should win their matches.

THE FIRST ROUND shield games which were played last week found all four Senior Chinese teams entering the second round, and the next round will certainly find two of these four clashing. Most of them had quite an easy passage, but Sing Tao were decidedly fortunate to emerge winners by the only goal scored. Thanks to the brilliant efforts of their keeper, Cheung Wing-choi, they managed to survive; this was not the first occasion in which the keeper had saved them from defeat.

The only league game this week in which a surprise may be caused will be in the Navy-Eastern game to-morrow. Navy have been weakened by the transfers of three of their best players, namely, Robinson, Honeywell and Phipps. But against that they have now included Giff, Layne and Wharnsley; and Giff, to my memory, has played quite a few useful games.

Giff has the making of an excellent custodian, and his displays have been worthy of his predecessor. In this department, the Navy need have no fear. Both Layne (I believe he has been promoted from the second eleven) and Wharnsley are stout defenders, and the latter should develop into a first class back. With the robust Britt on the left, Navy's intermediate line, if they are able to co-ordinate, should be able to counteract the moves of the fast Chinese forward line.

But the mainstay of the Navy's defence will be found in their pair of hard-kicking backs, whose past displays have stamped them as in a class by themselves. Eastern's forwards will have to be extraordinarily alert to get past them. Roughtley will find Hau Ching-tau a nuisance with his dashes, but O'leary should be able to cover Chung Yung-sun.

Loose Forwards

I have in the past harped on the individualism of the Navy's forwards, and here again, their rise or fall will depend to a great extent to-morrow on whether they will be able to play as a team. There is always that lack of combination in them as a unit which has lost them many a game.

Eastern will, in all probability, play with the old team now that N. Z. Lee is back in Shanghai. The defence will be the same as last week, and the only change will be that C. T. Tsoo will take over his old berth. As a team, Eastern can always be relied upon to come off, and now that their chances of overtaking the league leaders are still bright—as a slip by Sing Tao or South China will place them again in a fighting position—they cannot afford to take matters lightly.

The strength in the two teams will be found in attack, where the Chinese have the edge over the sailor. The sailors' defence will have to be on the alert, and if support from their attack is forthcoming, and provided the defence is able to hold out, a

Week-End Soccer League Games

The following are the Hongkong Football League fixtures for the week-end.

Saturday

FIRST DIVISION

Sing Tao v. Kowloon (Club) 4.15 p.m.
Police v. R. Scots (Boundary) 4.15 p.m.
South China v. St. Joseph's (Caroline Hill) 4.15 p.m.

SECOND DIVISION

K.C. Che v. R.A.S.C. (St. Joseph's) 2.45 p.m.
Sing Tao v. Club (Club) 2.45 p.m.
R.A.O.C. v. R.E. (Military) 4.15 p.m.
Police v. Kowloon (Boundary) 2.45 p.m.
30th R.A. v. Mcex (Stanley) 2.45 p.m.
South China v. K. Wah (Caroline Hill) 2.45 p.m.

THIRD DIVISION

Shell v. R.E. (St. Joseph's) 4.15 p.m.
R.A.M.C. v. 35th R.A. (Military) 2.45 p.m.

Sunday

FIRST DIVISION
Navy v. Eastern (Navy) 4.15 p.m.

SECOND DIVISION
Navy v. R. Scots (Navy) 2.45 p.m.

THIRD DIVISION
30th R.A. v. Signals (Sookkumpoo) 4.15 p.m.
20th R.A. v. 7th R.A. (Sookkumpoo) 2.45 p.m.
International v. A.S.A. (Chatham Road) 2.45 p.m.
R.A.F. v. 24th R.A. (Chatham Road) 4.15 p.m.

surprise in this match is not impossible.

Can Kowloon Do it?

ALTHOUGH beaten last week by Kwong Wah in the shield, I am certain Kowloon will go all out to oust the league leaders from their present standing. They have a tall order ahead of them as Sing Tao will fight tooth and nail to maintain their present standing.

Even with new blood like B. Gossano, Pereira and Remedios, Kow-TURN to Page 5, Column Three



An Eastern forward scores in the Senior Shield soccer match against the Combined R.A. last Sunday after drawing Minshull, the R.A. custodian, out of his charge. The Chinese won the encounter by three goals to nil.—Ming Yuen.

Canuckettes And Wahoos Top-spot Softball Card

(By "BALL FAN")

THE MAPLE LEAF Canuckettes and Fan Lee's shamrock Wahoos are scheduled to top-spot a revised five game softball programme at the Kowloon ball park over the week-end. The girls' encounter has been earmarked "all-important" and the gashouse gang should be out there in full force.

THE MEN'S SENIOR LOOP will feature the leading St Joseph's burly ballhawks in an easy win over the lowly Filipino Club. The fast travelling Indians are booked to take on C. B. C. while the Marauding Mohawks will be out to resume their winning ways with Omar's Cyclones as their victims.

THE crappy V.R.C. nine have a golden chance to tie up the way, should be in there to pounce on the leadership in the Junior loop with a win over Royal Scots. Recreio Bees clash with R.A.F. for the third place spot, while Liga take on an improved South China gang.

Opening the five game card at 4.15 p.m., the star-studded Wildcats should find easy pickings in amassing a one-sided cage-score against the "down, out and yonder" Las Florinhus team. This game is set for 9.30 a.m. The

but with this bad game out of the way, should be in there to pounce on the leadership in the Junior loop with a win over Royal Scots. Recreio Bees clash with R.A.F. for the third place spot, while Liga take on an improved South China gang.

However, hurler Mary Ng, ace of Hongkong slabsters, is tossing them over in brilliant fashion, and will rally her teammates together for a last-ditch stand.

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League Standing

LADIES' LEAGUE

	W.	L.	P.C.
Canadian Chinese	0	1	.500
Wildcats	0	1	.500
Wahoos	0	2	.333
Panthers	1	2	.333
Recreio	3	0	.500
Liga Portuguesa	0	1	.333
Chung Hwa Maroons	0	11	.000

MEN'S LEAGUE

	W.	L.	P.C.
St. Joseph's	0	2	.250
Indians	0	2	.250
H.K.I.C. Mohawks	7	3	.700
Cyclones	6	4	.500
Recreio	5	4	.500
Chung Hwa Maroons	3	2	.500
Filipino Club	2	7	.222
Canadian Chinese	0	11	.000

Second Division

	W.	L.	P.C.
Chung Hwa	0	1	.000
V.I.C.	0	1	.000
H.A.F.	0	1	.000
Recreio B.	3	3	.667
Cosmopolitan	4	4	.500
Edgar McCarthy	3	3	.500
Liga Portuguesa	3	3	.500
Royal Scots	3	3	.500
Royal Artillery	2	2	.500
Royal Engineers	0	7	.000

INTER HONG

	W.	L.	P.C.
Hongkong Bank	3	0	.600
Texaco	4	1	.600
Shell	3	1	.750
Standard Bank	3	2	.500
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Cables	0	4	.000
Greenspots	0	4	.000

petite-fleur gals (in their rocklo year at this sport, have shown keen interest in learning the fundamentals of the game, and we're all pulling for them to continue their display of eagerness which should bring about improvement—In time. Nick Beltrao, Charlie Figueredo and C. Marques are booked to handle this one.

"Do or Die" Game

AT 11 a.m. with Doc Molthen, K. Nazarin and A.N. Other calling them, the Maple Leaf lassies clash with Fan Lee's Wahoos in a crucial "do or die" game. The Canuckettes played terrible "two-time" ball last week in losing to the Wildcats. TURN to Page 5, Column Four

THE nightcap at 8 p.m. will bring together the five nation Mohawks and A. M. Omar's fighting hurricane boys from Cycloneville. The Tribe threat was silenced last week by a spectacular playing Indian nine, and Honus Waggoner's braves must take this one to remain in the flag chase.

Moundsman Charlie Manson will be seeking his third straight triumph, while Dave, the old terror himself, Stan Leonard and George Sousa will be out to make it a real running afternoon for the Island outer garden.

After a session in the dugout, Cy Jones is slated to start on the mound TURN to Page 5, Column Four

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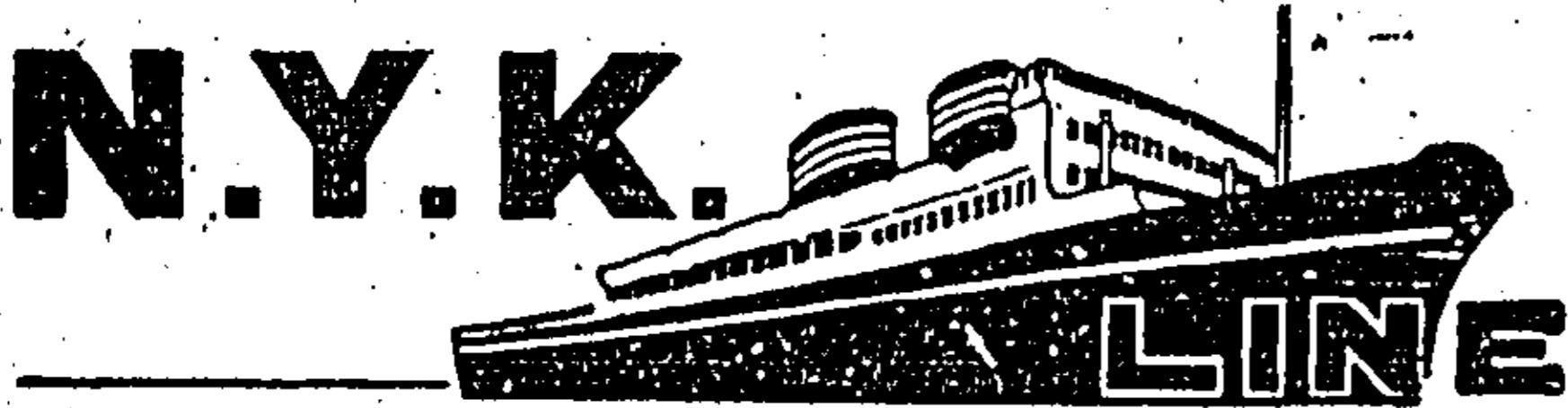
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Leading Soccer Teams Expected To Win Games

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loon's efforts were unavailing, and despite the good work put in by the defence, the forwards with the exception of Gosano were not so very impressive. Against Sling Tao, they will no doubt be on a much better footing, and here again, the defence will have to be their backbone.

Mac Shul-hon was able to adapt himself immediately to the play of Hou Yung-sang last week, and therefore the absence of Leo Tin-sang was not so much felt. The defence is now quite sound, and with Cheung Wing-chol playing at the top of his form, Kowloon will find it pretty tough going to penetrate their defence.

The forwards can always be relied upon to obtain goals. The two wingers are now capable enough to do their share of the work and with the wizard Fung King-cheung supplying the set touches, the League leaders should maintain their standing.

Wise Police Move

A good game should be seen at Boundary Street where the guardians of the law are entertaining the Royal Scots to-day. Though their win over the Royal Navy is still fresh in their minds, Police will still have to play better football in order to overcome the soldiers.

A new player in Muk Hon-fan in the Police defence is certainly an asset to them. No wonder they are able to relegate Parker to the Junior division. Police are still a menace to any senior team.

Now that they have included at least four Chinese players in their line up, it appears to me that this move is all for the better, and so far the Chinese players have more than pulled their weight. The Royals will be playing with almost the same team, and with Fraser and Naysmith on top of their form and with Bankier better than ever, the Police will certainly have to be good to win.

Auld has now adapted himself to first division football. Lurkins, a newcomer on the extreme left, is quite an acquisition, and his last display was good. With Auld leading the attack, Royal Scots should be able to give the Policemen a run for the points, and I predict that a division of the spoils will be the result.

Saints Weakened

DUCE to injuries and other causes, the Saints have now found themselves very depleted in personnel, and the absence of Sammy Tsang in goal was badly felt. Auld, who has depilised for him, is yet very raw. The brunt of the Saints' work has so far fallen on the shoulders of D. Leonard, Bowen and Husain, although the services of Lau Wing-kong in the intermediate line have been seen to good advantage.

Gomes has been on the injured list, and if he is fit again, his partnership with Cruz will constitute a danger, what with the roving methods of their leader, MacDonald. Their forward line, although small in stature, is quite fast on the whole, but very often lack of combination has spoilt many a good game for them.

South China, on the whole, will find very little difficulty in overcoming the Saints, as their present line-up is good enough to withstand any opposition. Their defence is playing right at top form, and should easily keep the Saints in check.

The forwards are a fast and brainy lot, and goals are their specialty. Chow Man-chi has now developed into a schemer, and he has often paved the way to goals. Even without the services of Lee Wal-tong, their game to-day will prove no problem to them.

Owing to Volunteer duties, the Club are unable to field a team, and their match against the Middlesex to-day has been postponed.

Canuckettes In Softball Card

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this week in an effort to halt the speedy Cyclone crowd.

Since their brilliant victory over the U.S. Navy on New Year's day, the Iroquois tomahawk-wielders have had a real long session with old man slumg and are due to break away with a "leap big" speech at any time now.

Referees for this one are Johnny Alvarez, Al Leonard and A. V. Gano.

Junior Loop

In the Junior loop, South China clash with Liga Portuguesa in a mid-section game at 9 a.m. Bill Kwan's Chinese boys almost took the leading Chung Hwa nine into camp last week and are favoured to take this one against Daddy Sours' ball tossers.

Michelius Mendonca's Recreio Bees will attempt to put the sling on the high-flying R.A.F. fighters. The third place spot is at stake in this important tilt, and both teams will be in there with the "all out to win" signal labelled on their willow-wands.

At 11.30 a.m. V.R.C. are favoured to come through with a win over Royal Scots which will land them in a tie for the leadership with Chung Hwa.

The aquatic stars show a dazzling pair in Roy Maxwell, fast moving shortstop, and Eric Ribeiro, fly-slashing left fielder, and should take this game in a hurry.

The following is the programme:

GIRLS LEAGUE (at K.F.C.)

9.30 a.m. Las Florinhas Vs. Wildcats

11.00 a.m. Canuckettes Vs. Wahoos

MEN'S FIRST DIVISION (at K.F.C.)

12.30 p.m. Indians Vs. C.B.C.

1.45 p.m. Filipino Club Vs. St. Joseph's

3.00 p.m. H.K.B.C. Vs. Cyclones

SECOND DIVISION (at Chatham Road)

9.00 a.m. South China Vs. Liga.

10.15 a.m. Recreio B. Vs. R.A.F.

11.30 a.m. Royal Scots Vs. V.R.C.

INTER HONG (at Marina Ground)

10.30 a.m. Hongkong Bank Vs.

Garrison Snooker League Starts

Royal Army Medical Corps, who have one of the strongest teams in the Garrison Snooker League, made an excellent start this week when they made a clean sweep against Signals "A" who were beaten by six frames to nil. Other teams were:

Royal Corps of Signals & Garrison Police shared six frames; R.A.S.C. "A" shared six frames; Royal Engineers Scrub Mess beat Pay Corps five frames to one.

GOVERNOR AT BOWLS

His Excellency the Acting Governor, Lieutenant-General E. F. Norton, will entertain the Bowlers at Government House on Wednesday at 3 p.m.

LAI WAH CUP FINAL

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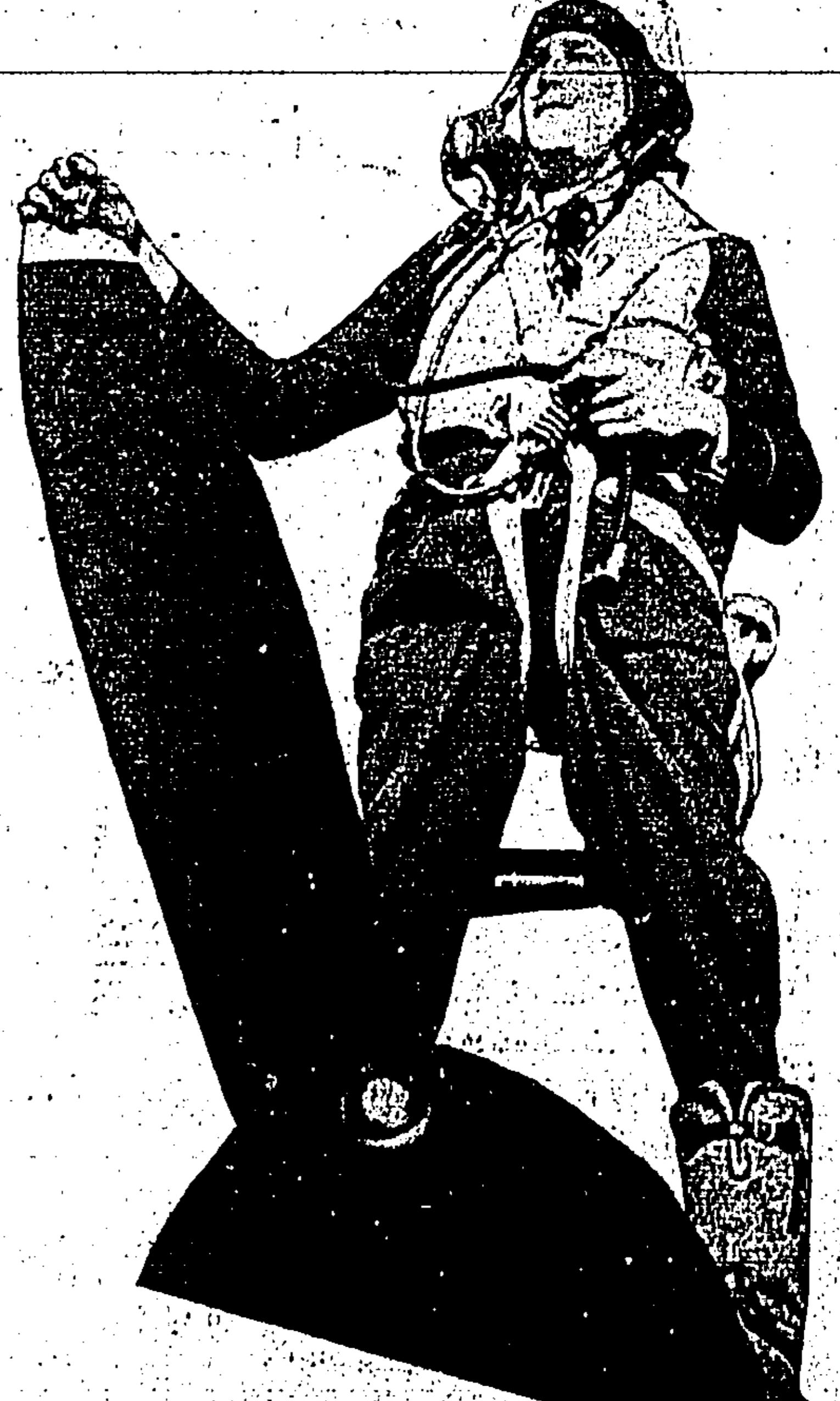
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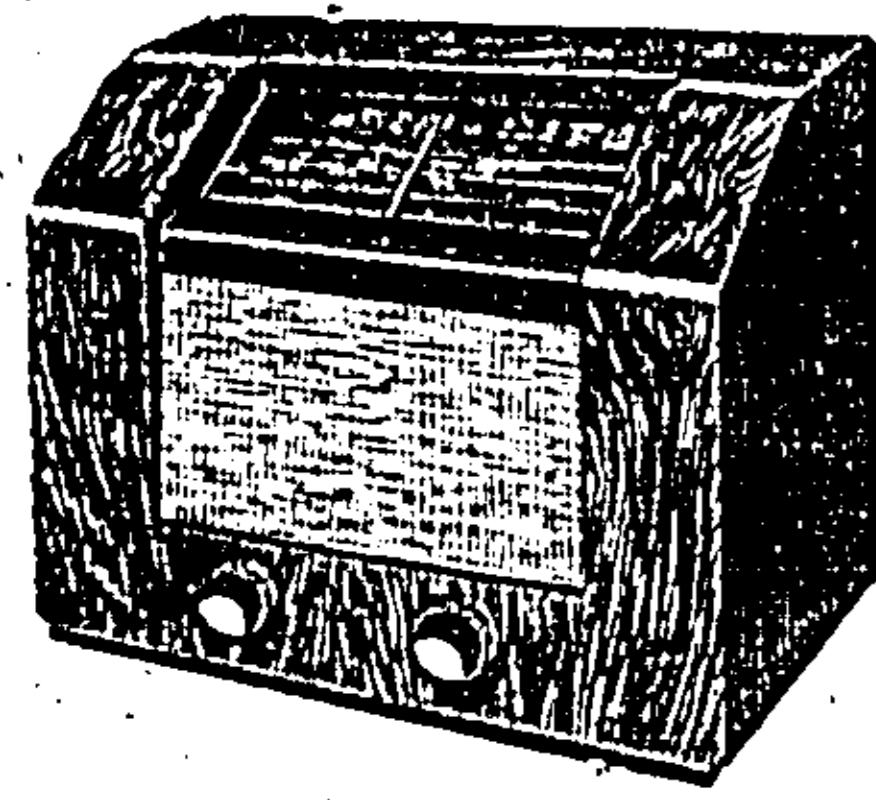
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WHITHER FRANCE?

THE world's attention during the past few days has been focused with renewed interest on Vichy, and the 84 year-old Marshal Petain on whose strength of character to uphold what he considers to be the standard of French honour, so much depends. It is difficult to imagine a more difficult task than that facing the Vichy Cabinet, threatened by Germany and blocked by men whose national and personal honour take secondary place to their own individual aspirations.

Due to very strict censorship it is extremely difficult to follow day by day developments at Vichy, but one thing stands out clearly; the pressure which Germany has exerted on Marshal Petain since the armistice has greatly increased in weight during the past few weeks. Hitler knows that he must soon take decisive action against Britain. Time is no longer on his side, and the urgent demands for the release of the French Fleet is an indication of his great need for greater naval strength than he now possesses.

Petain is plainly trying to find a modus vivendi between those Frenchmen who would defy Germany regardless of results and those who, like Laval, would go so far as to declare war on Britain if such an action would benefit Germany, whom they regard as virtual masters of Europe. When Marshal Petain first signed the armistice with Germany it is almost certain that he was convinced Britain could not hold out and it is possible, with the restricted flow of news through German sources since then, he is still doubtful as to the final outcome. He believes, therefore, that he is faced with the prospect of living under the "new order"—an order which he is trying to mitigate in so far as it lies in his power and certainly in so far as the honour of France is concerned. At the same time it is commonly known that Marshal Petain has long disapproved of many French institutions and in particular of the efficacy of the French parliamentary regime. It is not surprising, therefore, that he should envisage a new France, tempered by its political as well as its geographical proximity to Germany. As he recently stated, his aims—by breaking with the past—were "to restore community discipline, to restore quality in labour, secundarily in family life and a more compelling, persuasive sense of La Patrie."

M. Laval, however, is throwing his shadow over the Marshal's efforts. For various reasons his sympathies and his hopes of a successful career lie along the path Germany would have France tread. His open antipathy to Britain, if it did not actually spur him on, would add savor to the man of portage he is, with German co-operation, endeavouring to force the Marshal to swallow.

South Kwangtung Fighting

Fighting At Tamshui
WAIYUUNG, Feb. 7 (Central News).—The Japanese troops who landed at Asow, a small village on the sandy beach of Bias Bay, have been checked at Tamshui, ten miles inland from Bias Bay, on their drive toward Waihow.

A part of the force pushed northward from Tamshui on Wednesday morning but was driven back. Fighting continues around Tamshui.

Japanese troops driving from Shunchun to Pingwu on the Chinese section of the Canton-Kowloon Railway have been forced to turn eastward after encountering stiff Chinese resistance. They first moved to Wongkong, six miles to the east of the railway, and thence to Lungkong, north-east of Wongkong. Both Pingwu and Wongkong are now cleared of Japanese troops.

According to a report from Szeul, a Japanese attempt to land at Chanchuen in the Shantung district on Tuesday morning was foiled by the Chinese. The invaders retreated at noon, abandoning many dead.

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Viceroy's War Purposes
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NEW DELHI, Feb. 7 (Reuter).—With spontaneous gifts pouring in at an average monthly rate of £127,000, the Viceroy's War Purposes Fund totalled well over £2,000,000 at the end of last year.

Of this total, over £1,000,000 was sent to England, including £688,000 for aircraft for the R.A.F., £113,000 for the Lord Mayor of London's Air Raid Fund and £24,000 for the British Red Cross Society.

Payments made in India from the Fund included £175,000 for war planes and £50,000 for amenities for the troops.

**Important People
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SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

YOKOHAMA, Feb. 7 (Domestic).—Mr Eugene H. Dooman, Counsellor of the American Embassy, who has been in the United States since August on furlough, returned here to-day aboard the President Coolidge, reportedly because of the impending visit home of the Ambassador, Mr Joseph C. Grew.

Mr. Tolischus, newly-appointed Tokyo correspondent of the "New York Times," who arrived aboard the same liner, declined to discuss conditions in Germany saying that he has not been there since last March but he said that Nazi preparations for an invasion of Britain appeared to have been completed.

Turning to the relations between Japan and the United States, Mr. Tolischus said, "There is no reason why we should go to war."

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**Search For Nazi
Air Ace**

LONDON, Feb. 7 (Reuter).—A wireless message from Marshal Goering to the Royal Air Force was transmitted after the death in action of Captain Wicks, the German ace, in November last year, says the German radio to-day.

Captain Wicks was shot down on November 28 and Marshal Goering radioed a message, asking for news of his fate. Two days later the R.A.F. replied that Wicks was neither in a British prison camp nor could his name be found in the list of identified German casualties, the announcer added.

He also said that German naval units searched the sea for traces of Wicks but failed to find any.

MR TAGGART

The many friends of Mr. J. H. Taggart will regret to learn that since his return to the Colony, he has been seriously indisposed. On account of his indisposition, Mr. Taggart has been advised to take a vacation, and will be leaving shortly.

The old French Marshal has, however, a determination which has hitherto refused to be dominated and though it is impossible to foretell the future, even the future of the next few days, it seems probable that he will continue to avoid, in so far as in him lies, ceding to Germany the last bargaining cards France possesses—the navy and the Empire.

Expansion of Armed Forces in India

NEW DELHI, Feb. 7 (Reuter).—The expansion of the armed forces of India has resulted in such a demand for ex-Servicemen that some 20,000 of them have already re-joined in various static roles in garrison companies and guards for bridges, strategic railways, prisoners of war, etc., thus releasing younger men for field service.

The flow of recruits for the regular army thus continues uninterrupted, and expansion programmes are proceeding according to schedule.

Many territorial units, which have been trained up to a certain point, are also being invited to join the regular army. In one instance, a whole battalion responded.

There is also increased enlisting for the I.A.O.C., where 500 young Indians are being immediately trained as responsible stormers (combatant) to replace British other ranks and act as reserves. There has been an increase of several hundred in the Viceroy's commissioned officers and Indian non-commissioned officers.

School Established

Provision is being made to train unit clerks (combatant) for cavalry, infantry and artillery. A school is being established for this purpose with an output of 1,200 a year.

The regiment of Indian artillery is being strengthened by expanding the output in artillery schools.

Pep Talk To Germans

LONDON, Feb. 7 (Reuter).—Danger hovers over everybody in Germany," declared Milch, Inspector-General of the Luftwaffe; in a talk on air defences in Germany, broadcast on the Bremen radio to-night.

General Milch added that because of this danger, everyone who believed in the future of the German people must remain calm and consider how small is the total danger done by the English.

"Remember," he said, "that the great goal can be reached only if you clenches your teeth and do your bit in the great task. It is a great thing if a tired-out worker, who spends half the night in the shelter, can clock in punctually the next day."

A.R.P. Stands Test

General Milch added that experience had shown that the A.R.P. service in Germany had stood the test and was a model for the rest of the world.

Air attacks on Germany had achieved only a limited effect. In isolated cases and, taken as a whole, the effect was only negligible. That was due to the far-sighted planning of the A.R.P. by Marshal Goering.

General Milch concluded: "Our confidence in the German air force is the best guarantee that the enemy, by his air attacks, will never succeed in shaking our people's will to victory."

India's Satisfaction

NEW DELHI, Feb. 7 (Reuter).—The fall of Benghazl is learnt with the utmost satisfaction here, where interest in the African campaign is heightened by the distinguished part played by Indian troops.

It was not generally known that the imperial troops had advanced so far.

Cirenaica Controlled

CAIRO, Feb. 7 (Reuter).—With the capture of Benghazl, the whole of Cirenaica, apart from a few isolated posts south of Benghazl, is now in British hands, military spokesman stated to-night.

On the expenditure side the amount spent in October was \$3,358,187 as against \$4,479,810 the previous October. For the year up to the end of October, revenue amounted to \$42,270,211 as compared with \$34,775,227 for the previous year.

On the expenditure side the amount spent in October was \$3,358,187 as against \$3,180,640 the previous October, while during the year up to the end of October last year, \$38,276,311 was spent compared with \$31,051,702 during the corresponding period of 1939.

Noticeable features in the accounts for 1940 are the increase received from Court fees, etc., which was received in October, 1939. War Revenue in October brought in \$582,000. On the other side of the accounts "War Expenditure" in October was \$260,235.

**Should Carry On The
Advance Into Tripoli**

FROM PAGE ONE

the central and western Mediterranean bases.

The possession of aerodromes there nearer to Malta and Sicily than any others at present available, is well worth fighting for. Moreover it is important on this occasion at least to forestall Nazi occupation.

Collapse Elsewhere

A general Italian collapse, however, is not confined to Libya. British advances into Abyssinia are rapid and highly successful. In Eritrea the British have captured another 3,500 prisoners since their attack opened. Prolonged Italian resistance does not seem possible to Italians in Africa. Even if they attempt a stand at Keren or Asmara both of these important places can be turned from the south and the British advance on Massawa continued.

In Albania the Greeks have overcome terrible problems of precipices, snow and poor roads and may soon be expected to burst into the more open coastal district which, it is hoped, will press the early fall of Valona and then Durazzo.

The communists add that the planes, which took part in a concentrated attack, returned safely to their base.

**Appointments And
Resignations**

FROM PAGE ONE

The following appointments in the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps have been approved by the Governor, 2/Lieut. E. L. Cuna to be a Lieutenant.

Lieut. Edward W. Stout has been allowed to resign his commission.

Mr. Cuthbert J. Norman has been appointed a Lieutenant in an Auxiliary Unit.

Mr. Joseph Prentice has been given permission to quit the Corps.

Snooper Match

The return snooper match between a representative Kowloon Police team and the R.A.M.C. will be played to-morrow at Whitsfield Barracks, starting at 6 p.m.

MATCHES CANCELLED

Owing to the inclement weather, the Inter-Portuguese practice arranged for to-day has been cancelled.

All the Y.M.C.A. matches have been called off as well.

The Senior League Cricket match between the Club and Rangoon and the Indian R.C. at King's Park has also been cancelled, as has the Junior match between the Indian R.C. and the Civil Service C.C. at Sooknupoo.

Magistrates will receive general holidays on July 1 and November 11 this year in addition to the holidays notified previously, states an amendment to the Holidays Ordinance published in the Government Gazette to-day.

**Currie Delivers
Roosevelt Letter**

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

NEW YORK, Feb. 7 (UP).—Mr. William Randolph Hearst and the International News Service to-day filed a half million dollar libel action against Friday Inc., charging that its magazine "Unbelievable," falsely accused them of receiving a monetary subsidy from Germany.

President Dan Gilmore of Friday Inc., issued a statement saying he was "willing to furnish the jury with all the information his company has regarding Mr. Hearst."

**Currie Delivers
Roosevelt Letter**

CHENGKING, Feb. 7 (Reuter).

A personal letter from President Roosevelt was delivered to General Chiang Kai-shek to-day by Mr. Lauchlin Currie, President Roosevelt's personal envoy to China, who landed here by air from Hongkong.

Progress Of Lease, Lend Legislation

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7 (Reuter).—Members of the Democratic Party in the House of Representatives are determined to send the Lease and Lend Bill to the Senate before the end of today with "no more concessions."

They are now attempting to remove the amendment proposed by the Republican Representative,

Second Section.

Hongkong Telegraph.

Magazine Features

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Many units are now mechanised. Here is a tank column undergoing manoeuvres.



TRAINING CHINA'S NEW ARMIES



A radio telephony class in a field communications school.



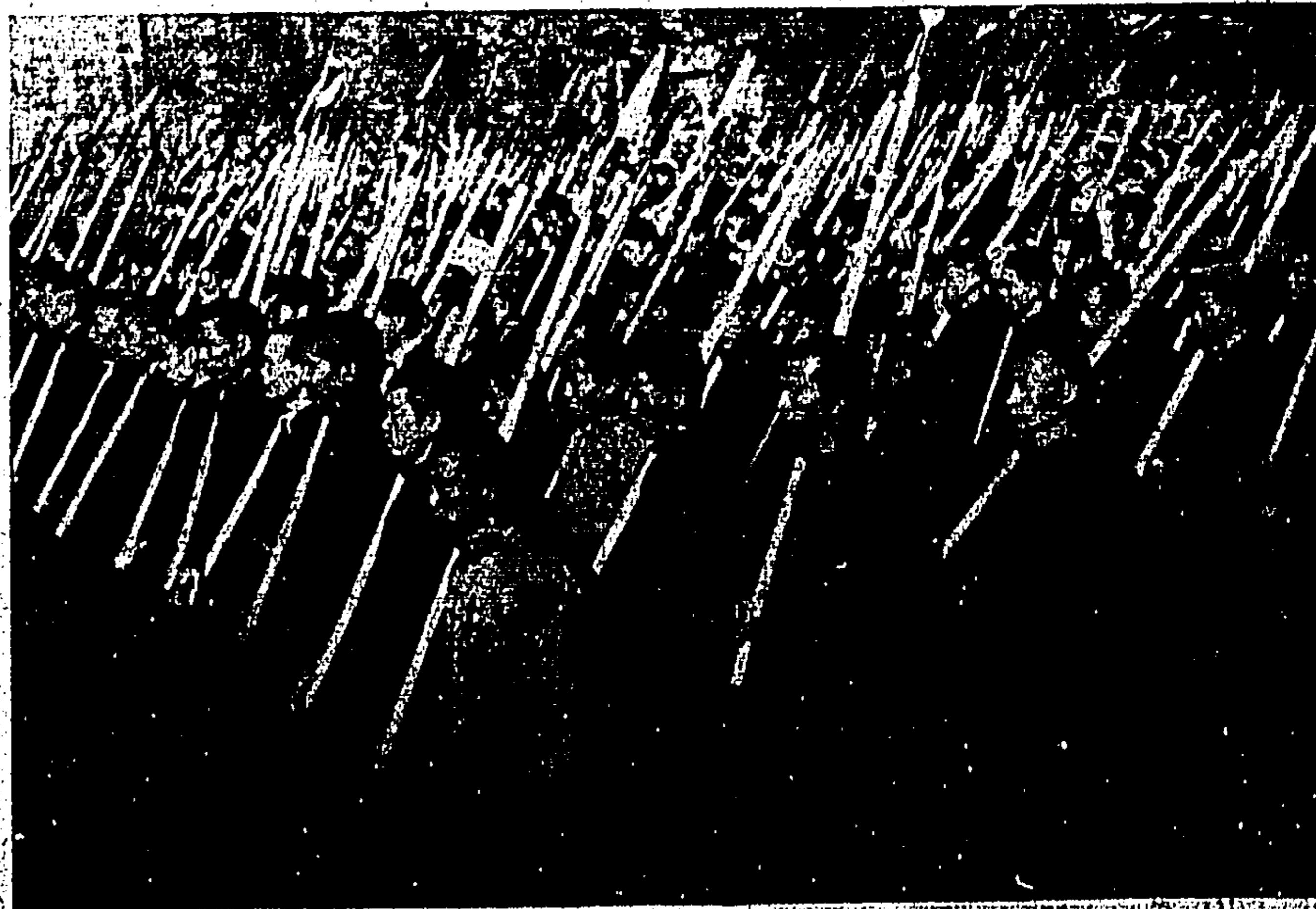
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SENTINELS IN SILVER

The Balloon Barrage And How It Is Worked

Riding proudly overhead in their coats of silver, the barrage balloons have become a familiar war-time sight over London and an ever-increasing number

of British cities, towns, week sees an extension and villages. A menace of the scheme. Soon to those who seek to de-stroy, they are trusty, will have this comfort-sentinel by night, ing safeguard.

watching over the sleeping millions below, and the same dependable friends to the busy throngs by day.

Though inclined to be mand, with an air vice-capricious and a little marshal at its head, is res-uncertain in temper possible for the barrages when the fancy (or, to be more accurate, the wind) takes them, they never tire in their well-centres, corresponding to a doing. Winter and summer, cold or hot, rain or shine, they remain

throughout the country. Its regional control is maintained by groups, the largest of which is London. Four centres, corresponding to a wing on the operational side of the Service, subdivide the work of defending the Metropolitan area. Each centre maintains its squadrons to cheat us of our food sites.

by sinking our convoys. The men who look after them and from which no enemy, however skilled, can bomb with accuracy. In this they have succeeded handsomely.

Enough men to get things going had already received a

A German pilot who specialised training. Those who were not in the regular barrage is reckless indeed; he stands in grave peril of colliding with a cable which will tear the wings from his aircraft, sending it crashing to earth.

Nobody has ever pretended that a balloon barrage is a defence now to defend their charges, against indiscriminate and they would also help the bombing such as is the Army and Home Guard to fate of London, but its communications broke down, each squadron, each flight, or, if necessary, each site, from selecting the target could carry on by itself.

That the Germans re-think on weather conditions, a balloon defence which, of course, have an as a serious obstacle to working of the barrages. It is the groups which decide proved by the number at what height the balloons of occasions on which shall be flown, when they fighters have been sent to be grounded, and over on special errands when sent up again. They to destroy them. Many are linked to the squadrons have been shot down, by telephone and have other but as fast as one has been lost another has soared up to replace it.

In many respects a centre is a self-contained unit. It feeds, clothes, and pays the men of its squadrons, flights, fence is shown by the and sites; it is responsible fact that almost every for the maintenance of

its not inconsiderable mechanised transport section; it has its own doctors, accountants, catering officer, butchers, cooks, police, and office staffs; it supplies, replaces, and repairs all its own balloons; it maintains a regular flow of inflating gas to the manning crews; and it has its own central depot.

In appearance a centre is very like a bomber or fighter station, except that its rather higher hangars house balloons instead of aeroplanes.

Methods & Men

Women's Help In Work

Thousands of yards of the specially proofed cotton fabric are used in the workshops for repairing the gas containers and making the air-filled "fins", or stabilizers, which give the balloons their animal-like appearance. Men do the heavier work, but the women of the W.A.A.F. have proved themselves expert in cutting and stitching the fabric.

Power-driven sewing machines enable a new part to be fitted in an incredibly short time. Surface parts which have to take the heaviest strain are reinforced on the inside by circular disks, known as diaphragms, and by strong tape. The women do this work, too.

Before a balloon is put into service it is inflated with air by high-speed pumps in an inspection hangar. The same thing happens before and after a balloon is repaired. In these days of widespread raids; when heavy anti-aircraft barrages are put up to defeat them, repair work is fairly heavy, because

balloons are always liable to be punctured by shrapnel. It is of the utmost importance that the repairs and regular examinations should be carried out efficiently, for a leaking balloon becomes filled with a dangerous mixture of gas and air.

Every day each balloon in service is inspected, and unless the gas sample shows a regular degree of purity the container is deflated and refilled with new gas, which is sent out specially designed trailers.

Daily supplies of food also are distributed by lorry from the centre direct to the flights, each of which has its own cooking facilities. The catering officers are men who are in the business in civil life; the butchers and chefs also are professionals. They have the most up-to-date kitchens and ovens, so that the men get excellent and varied food, cooked in a manner worthy of a first-class hotel. (This is no over-statement, I know because I have tasted it myself.)

How The Men Are Fed

Supplies are purchased in accordance with a diet sheet varying from day to day for each squadron. This not only ensures the men a change of food but prevents waste. At the centres' cookhouses the staffs make their own brown, sausages, pressed beef, and salt beef. Since men operating in rural districts have been found to possess healthier appetites than those on city and town sites and in offices, they are given the heavier food.

When the meals have been prepared by the flight cooks they are taken by a quick delivery service to the crews on the sites. The men say that this arrangement

works quite satisfactorily. At the centres the cookhouses operate throughout the 24 hours.

Many of the London balloon crews worked under trying conditions in France, particularly during the German advance. One of the squadrons now guarding North London was in charge of the barrage at Le Havre, and as long as there were British troops to be evacuated the crews stuck to their posts. One by one their balloons were shot down by German fighters, but the squadron got back to England without a casualty and with a good part of their stores.

Backs In A Team

Working under these conditions was excellent experience, for the manipulation of a balloon is by no means as easy as it looks. In a high wind a balloon will sometimes behave like a stubborn mule, kicking out suddenly and unexpectedly, trying to hook itself round trees or over house-tops, electric pylons, or telephone lines. An inexperienced crew could soon wreck a great deal of property, not to mention the balloons and cables.

Before a balloon is inflated it is stretched on a ground-sheet or bed and connected to an intricate network of cables, pulleys, ground blocks, handling guys, and other mysterious tackle. The gas trailer is then brought up, and a 10-way filler is attached to the 10 cylinders at one end and the balloon intake at the other.

The inflation speed can be controlled by pressure. The winch is operated in exactly the same way as a motor-car. The driver switches on the engine, lets in the clutch, and the speed of sending up the balloon or bringing it down is governed by the pressure on the accelerator pedal.

When the balloon is hauled down it is brought to within a few feet of the ground by the mechanical process. The crew then range themselves around the bed and affix the handling guys, bringing the balloon down to a position from which an inspection or repairs can be carried out.

PRIVATE LIFE OF A PRIVATE REAL SOLDIERS

Further extracts from the diary of a journalist who is now a soldier.

THROUGH the hot, dry days we stamped the face of the earth to dust under our iron heels.

Now the rain comes down in perfectly straight dull grey lines, sloped like the bayonets of the Guards.

We, under a roof, have completed an hour of revision, going over the Short Lee-Enfield magazine rifle point by point.

"And that," says the Sergeant, "is that. The Short Lee-Enfield Rifle, Mark Three, firing .303 ammunition. Weight, eight pounds ten ounces.

"The way some of you handle it, you'd think it weighed eight hundredweight. . . . The way you do. . . . You're told every little thing you've got to do. You're herded about like sheep. Which you are—especially you, Ginger.

"All the time you're here, you're recruits: sort of apprentices. Don't imagine you're a soldier yet: you're not.

"They make real soldiers out of you at Battalion.

"You've been grizzling about not having any freedom here. Well, at Battalion you'll be free men. You can go out evenings if you like. Nobody tells you what to do.

"But you've got to get your work done. Go about with your boots in the mud, and you'll go straight in the mud. There aren't no split-and-polish parades from 4 to 7 there—you use your own time, and God help you if you're lazy.

"And remember, your rifle is your best-friend. The barrel must be kept spotlessly clean; real soldiering there—long route-marches, a hell of a lot of shooting bright and slightly oiled. When you get to Battalion, they shove you in the cooler for a dirty rifle—ratty hundred weight. . . .

"Drill is cut down to minimum at Battalion. They concentrate on the action must be cleaned bright and slightly oiled. When you get to Battalion, they shove you in the cooler for a dirty rifle—ratty hundred weight. . . .

"They teach you everything. When you pass out there, you can call yourself a Soldier—you'll be hard as rock, and up to every trick.

"Soon you'll be fit to leave here and go on to real training. You'll be free men, apart from your duties. Well? What more can a man want? Liberty—if you can be trusted to use it.

"Meanwhile, my pretty lads, you'll drill, you'll spit and you'll polish; and the better you shape the sooner you move up one. Got it? It's like leaving school and standing on your own feet!"

"We get it.

TELEGRAPH QUIZ

1. Mr Clarence E. Gauss is to succeed Mr Nelson T. Johnson as American Ambassador to China. Before Mr Gauss became Minister to Australia, what position did he occupy and where was he stationed?

2. With what sciences are these terms associated? (a) rheostat (b) therm (c) ascendant (d) protoplasm?

3. To what constellation does the Polo Star belong? (a) Orion (b) The Plough (c) Little Bear (d) Cassiopeia?

4. Where is Agordat, and who recently captured it?

5. The author of "The Waste Land" is (a) James Joyce (b) T. S. Eliot (c) Gertrude Stein (d) Samuel Goldwyn.

6. Calpurnia was (a) Caesar's wife (b) Boadicea's sister (c) priestess of Thobos.

7. Name the famous Italian who invoked a curse on any Italian who refused to help Britain in her time of need.

8. Who invented fireworks?

9. A grobe is (a) the Irish name for meadow (b) an ecclesiastical term (c) a fish (d) a diving bird (e) a species of leopard.

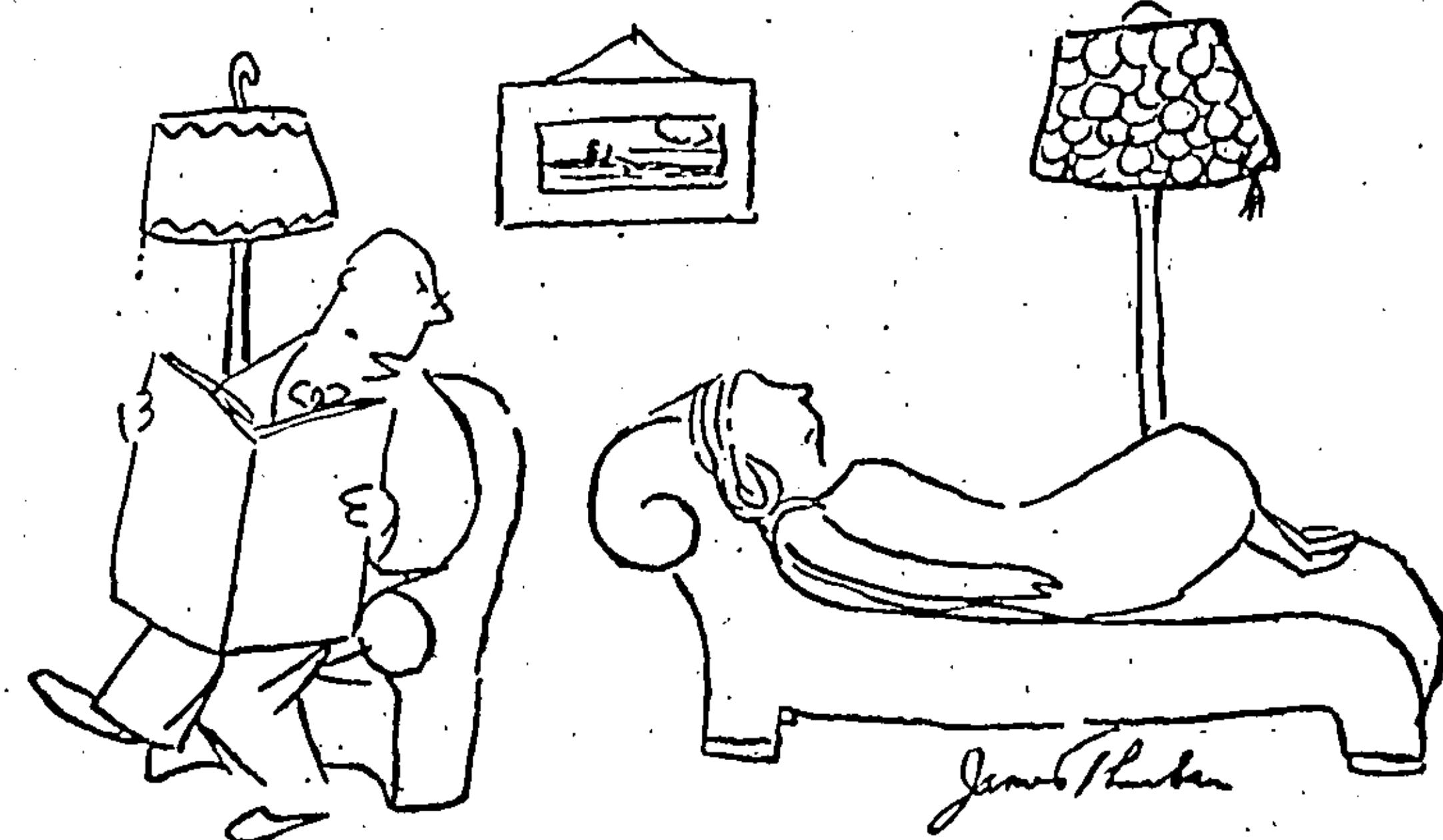
10. With what important national activity is Senator Martin Dies of the United States associated?

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NANCY



By Ernie Bushmiller



"I do love you. I just don't feel like talking military tactics with you."

A disgrace to the Prayer Book!

By the Rev. W. Rowland Jones

CAROLE LOMBARD, fighting not only an epidemic, but a stubborn authority which refused to spend money to help her, utters a telling line in A. J. Cronin's film-play, "Vigil in the Night."

Heartbroken in her unequal struggle, where money could have saved little children's lives, she cries, "So much for everything else, so little for the sick!"

I shall remember the line, because I saw the film immediately after visiting a sick girl in hospital, who, for her cure, needed oxygen.

"I can't have any more," she said, "because in war-time it is too expensive."

So much for everything else, so little for the sick!

Hospitals In Need Of Funds

It isn't only in war-time that we thus so completely forget to practise our Christianity. In the year before the war our voluntary hospitals had to make do with 18 million pounds, which would have kept our armed forces, in peace-time, for just three weeks.

We are so proud of our voluntary hospitals—these shining examples of our national religion—yet, in that year, 1938, they could not pay their way!

We forced them into a huge deficit. The London hospitals alone found themselves overdrawn by nearly a million pounds.

So much for everything else, so little for the sick!

Perhaps a slimy case could be made out for saving money on healing during war-time. Could any sort of case be made out for what has recently been reported in the daily Press?

When market-gardeners of Lancashire found that they could not sell lettuce at a profit their vitamin-yielding produce was destroyed. It never occurred to them to give it to the sick. Or would that have been heresy against the God of Profit?

When there was a glut of fruit in the South, and the growers wished to send it either to the hospital four miles away, or to the Army camps, they could not get it conveyed. Petrol was wanted for more important things.

Wrong Way To Talk To Invalids

Why is it that in our Christian civilization we are so casual and so closested in our concern for the sick? I suggest that it is largely due to our Churches' wholly unchristian explanation for the existence of disease.

As a clergymen of the Established Church I am instructed, in the cases of sickness, to go into the sick person's house and tell him in unmistakable phrases why he is thus stricken down.

I have to say, first of all, that it is the doing of Almighty God. I have to tell the poor sufferer, whatever the nature of his disease, that he is to know, certainly, that it is God's visita-

I have also to remind him what a stern and relentless Father he has in Heaven, who is really chastising him with earthly corrections.

I have to urge the poor creature to take everything in good part, because the arrival of some painful disease is only a sign of God's love.

I am instructed to misinterpret some passages from the Epistle to the Hebrews and thus prove that disease is something sent to us for our good by Divine providence.

How very comforting for the sick person!

When I was a candidate for Ordination the Bishop's chaplain asked me what I would do if there was a sick person in my parish. I replied: "If I wanted him to die, I would use the Prayer Book Service for the Visitation of the Sick!" Strangely enough, they passed me.

This teaching is contrary to the teaching of Christ. He spent three-quarters of His time on earth healing the sick, and openly said that disease was the work of the Devil, not God.

He would not even allow people to say that sickness was inevitably the result of sin. "Who did sin?" they asked him, "this man or his parents, or he was born blind?" "Neither!" came the abrupt reply.

Some diseases are the result of the unsocial acts of man—overeating, overdrinking, lust, malice. But no question of Divine punishment is implied; it is not a law of cause and effect.

God is Light, and Life, and Health, and He alone will live his life in harmony with God's laws, we will enjoy those precious gifts.

Ninety per cent. of sickness is preventable, if we are prepared to spend our money without stint and use our devoted doctors and research scientists for healing, without limiting their efforts.

How ready we are to use them for the purpose of destruction!

Disease Due To Lack Of Food

Medical men tell us that the chief cause of disease in this country is under-nutrition.

Sir George Newman, for 28 years Medical Officer to the Board of Education, says: "A substantial portion of our total population is not as well nourished as it ought to be in order to maintain full health and resistance to infection."

Sir George says that in 1910 it was stated by the Board of Education that defective nutrition stood in the forefront as the most important of all physical defects from which children suffer.

"That declaration," says Sir George, "has never been disputed. IT IS STILL TRUE TO DAY."

Do my poor man's conquest of disease and premature death, although it may have been halting and hesitant, has now become decisive. All that is needed for the defeat of this enemy in a war that never ceases is the better application of medical knowledge by the State, and its wider usage by the people.

In the new world, which we ought now to be planning if we are to win the Peace conquest of sickness must become paramount concern.

The causes of disease—under-nutrition, bad and unhygienic conditions—must be attacked most vigorously, as we are now attacking foreign planes.

THE

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A CERTAIN Jackal who had been lucky enough to be the Lion's friend in the last great fight against the Vulture grew vain and ambitious.

So conceited did he become that he procured a Lion's skin, and covering himself in it strutted around the Jungle saying, "Look at me! Am I not a Lion? And am I not a younger, more virile and braver Lion than any of you have ever seen before?"

The other animals were dubious yet somewhat impressed.

"Let us hear you roar," they said.

At this the Jackal opened his throat and roared as loud as he could. It is true that his voice was really a tenor, but it was very loud and re-

verberated remarkably well. Then to show his courage he fell on a Blackbird and devoured it.

"Perhaps he really is a Lion," said the Cuckoo, and even the wicked old Vulture admired him and asked him to be his partner.

Then when the poor Mule, who was the Jackal's Mediterranean neighbour, had that terrible trouble with his left leg and his right, the Jackal bit the left leg so that it became useless.

"Now," screamed the Jackal, "who says I am not the king of beasts?"

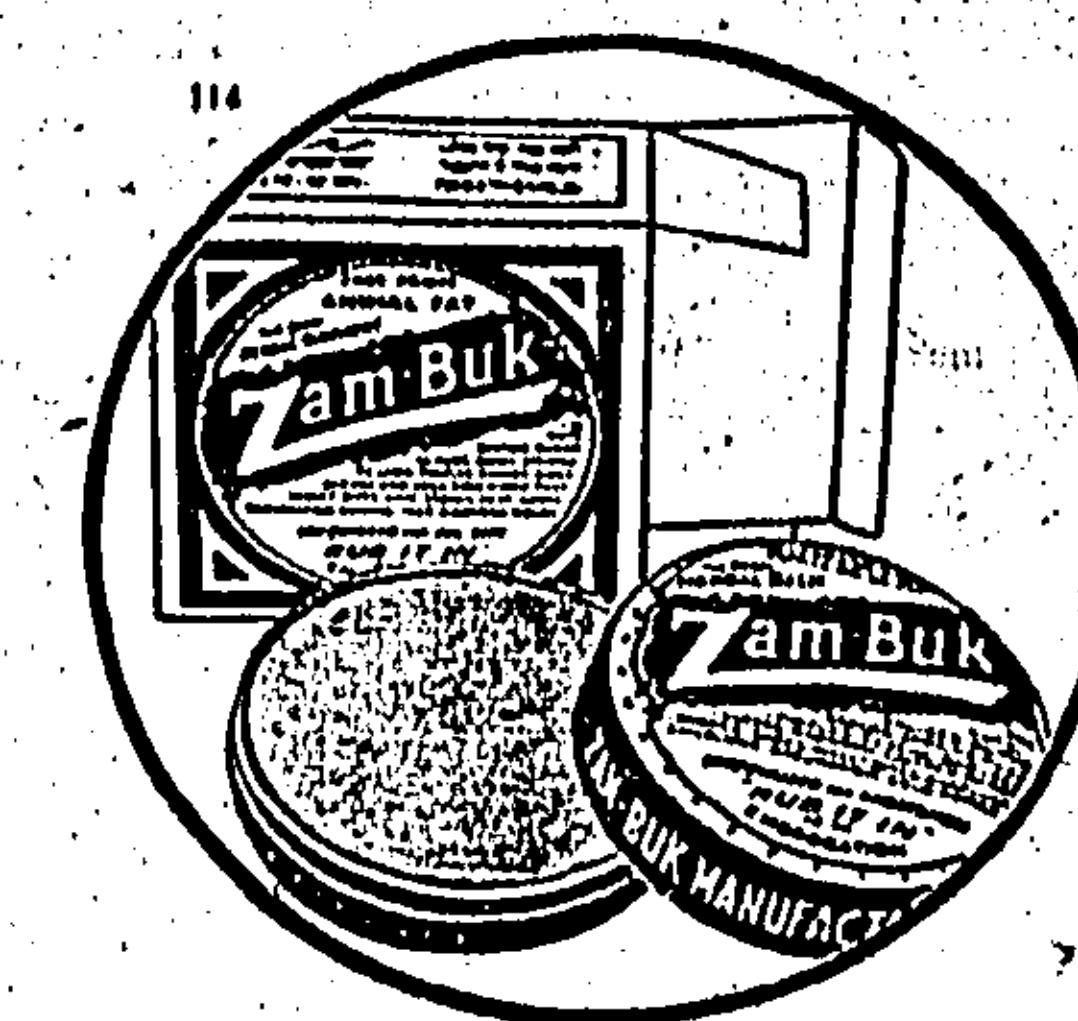
Encouraged by all this, the Vulture attacked the real Lion and his friend the Cock, swiftly killing the Cock and then turning against his ancient enemy.

At this the Jackal, thinking the opportunity was expedient, joined the Vulture, as he was certain he was going to win. The real Lion was very angry at this, and after a time he struck the Jackal a heavy blow which toppled him into the sea.

"You can't attack me here," whined the Jackal, "for this is my sea." The Lion uttered a deep roar and went into the water after him. Again he struck, and this time so hard that the Lion's skin fell right off the impostor.

"Mercy! Mercy!" screamed the Jackal. "Who will help me? Can't you see that I am only a poor Jackal and that I was just pretending to be a Lion?"

Moral: Courage, unlike beauty, is more than skin deep.



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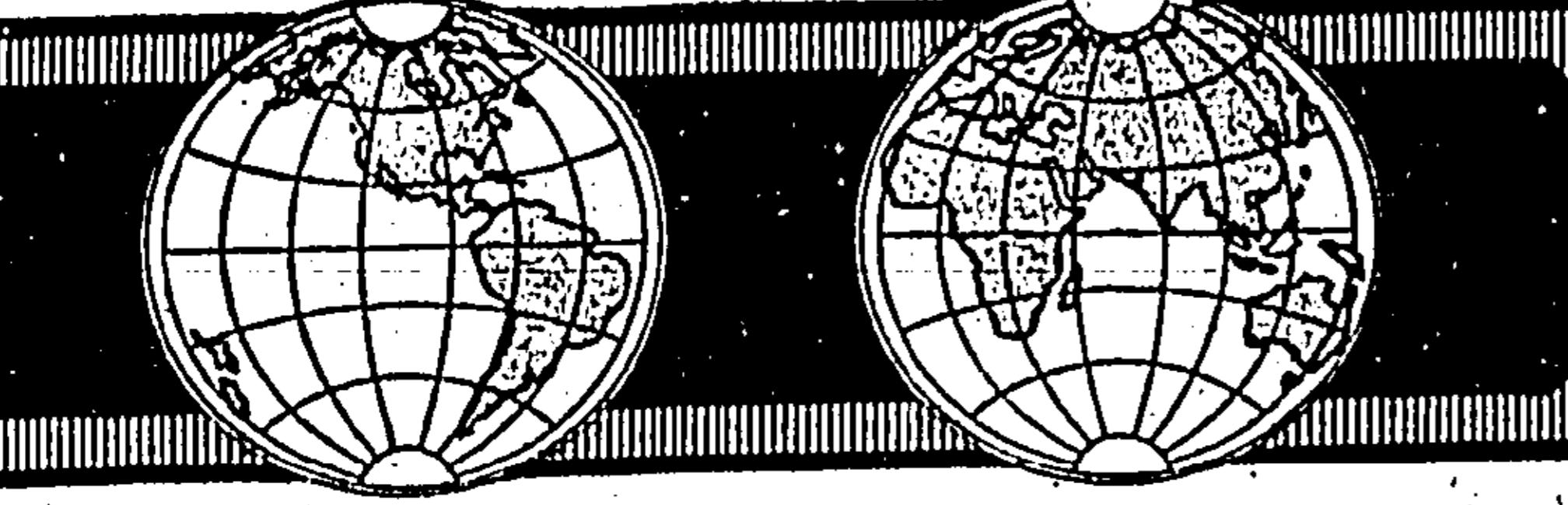
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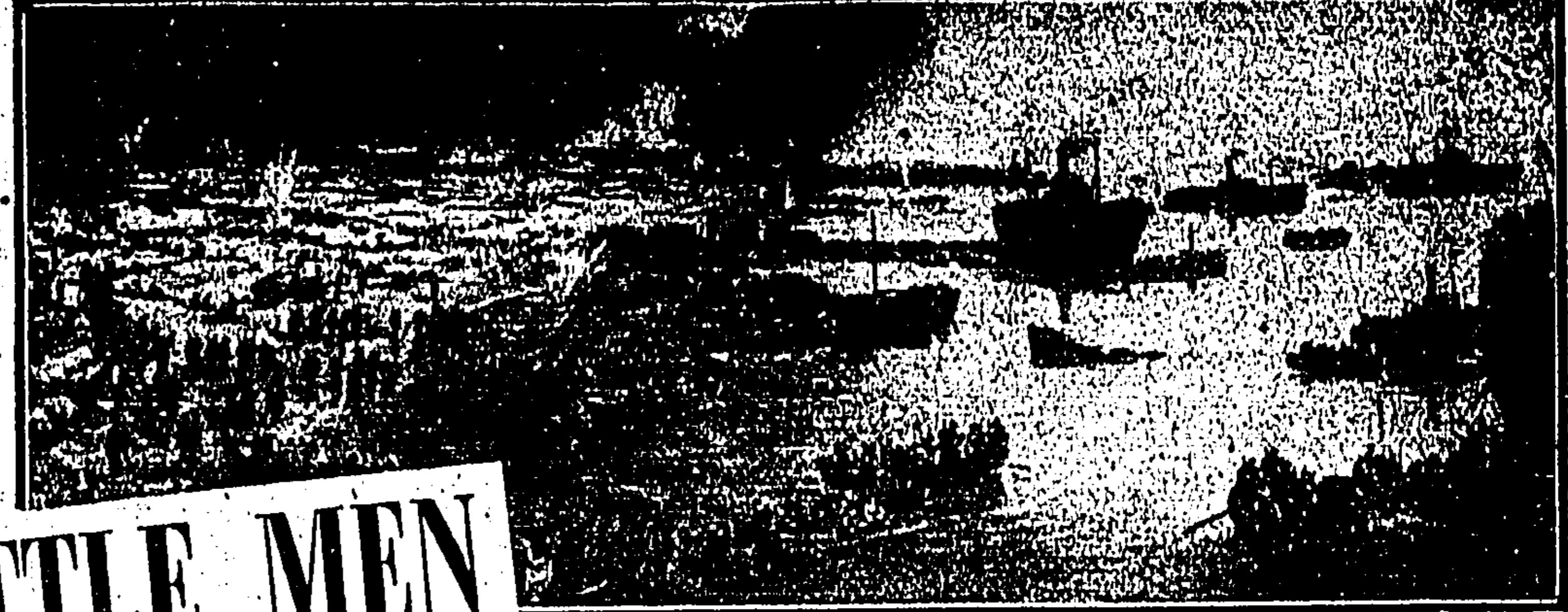


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IN the noise of the France will probably get die. crash of France a union—not a union as be small cry was hardly tween equals, but union un heard. Yet it was im portant.

It represented the first act of real political imagination of Europe, a control over on the Allied side in this foreign trade, banking, cur war. Winston Churchill of rency, an economic strangler, complete union to France.

The offer came too late, but in it was the germ of a concept that might have saved the world this war and lined up the vital and revolutionary forces on the side of the Democracies instead of handing over their wanton exploitation and kind of union—the voluntary perversions to Adolf Hitler. With that offer the political issue changed.

Before that an Allied war aim had been the preservation of the complete national h d vision; it suggested sovereignty of every European State, a policy which world might look forward resulted in the "neutrality" rather than back.

TURKEY'S armed strength

by
F. G. H. Salusbury

ARMED forces of Turkey, as an ally in specified circumstances of Great Britain and Greece, have been brought sharply into focus now that Greece has been plunged into war with Italy.

Part of those forces is already in Eastern Thrace, that part of Turkey-in-Europe which marches with Greece along the River Maritza, and on the North with Bulgaria.

What other defences can Turkey muster?

Her navy is small—one battle cruiser, two cruisers, four destroyers and half-a-dozen submarines.

Her air force is small by modern standards. Just over a year ago it consisted of 370 machines. To-day it is larger though it is not known by how much—another 150 machines might be a conservative estimate.

It had a trained personnel of 8,350 officers and men.

Of its more picturesque personnel is Kemal Ataturk's adopted daughter, Sabiha Guekken. She has a commission, and is married to a fellow-officer.

The machines were a mixture of British, American, Polish and German makes, the bombers being mostly British, and the fighters Polish and German.

The Turkish Army is highly efficient and trained to fight a war of manoeuvre. Its peace strength is 200,000, increased on mobilisation to 500,000, and with available reserves, in emergency, to about 1,500,000.

Turks are fine soldiers. Their military quality in the Great War was outstanding. They are equally good at attack and defence, and place little value on their own lives.

The increased efficiency of the Turkish Army, as developed in recent years, has made it even more formidable than is used to be.

Ataturk saw to it that there were well organised military schools, and that the growth of modern foreign armies was studied intensively.

The army, therefore, has been trained and equipped as a mobile force on which not only Britain but also the whole of Europe can depend in which it is most likely to be engaged. It does not lack anti-tank guns, and it has a good stock of A.A. artillery. Its coastal defences are good.

Any shortcomings of the Turkish Army in the past were due to the corruption of the old Imperial regime. That has gone.

A spirit of virility and fiery patriotism is now linked with a consciousness of reform and efficiency.

It makes a combination which will never yield to the fashionable aggression.

and thence the complete vulnerability of every European nation.

Dunkirk: "It had the magical quality of a great Biblical story."

(From the painting by Charles Cundall.)

THE turning point, however, came at Dunkirk. Fishermen and officers died together; but the pier of Dunkirk held, and 200,000 men came home to England, without whom Britain could not have been protected, without whom Britain would have been lost.

And many perished; and

fishermen and officers died together; but the pier of Dunkirk held, and 200,000 men came home to England, without whom Britain could not have been protected, without whom Britain would have been lost.

In the daily poundings of the news upon our ears, and eyes, they were not saved by the

and minds, where one event men in top-hats and striped follows another in awful and trousers, the men who went

terrific succession, we forgot grouse shooting in Scotland and to-day what we read yesterday, reckoned how one could defend

But Dunkirk cannot be forgotten. Dunkirk was the miracle. Dunkirk has about it the magical quality of a great Biblical story, of a King Arthur legend.

They were saved by themselves and by the people of England. They came home filled with rage and filled with a sense of wonder.

They had a story to tell, a

story of a battle against insuperable odds, of a battle

fought without the protection of planes and without heavy tanks

—the story of the miracle, of the

little men from the coasts who

saved them with the help of God.

I write these words soberly, I am reporting what scores of

men and women in England have written to me.

"God means England to do something." "I never felt like that before in all my life. It was as though every one was your brother." "It was like the Children of Israel when God parted the Red Sea."

A NATION belongs to the people who will die to save the brilliant summer sky like it. At Dunkirk was demonstrated that the little men of

England would do to save it. Great Britain has not been longed to the people. That beautiful hierarchy of title and wealth and commoners was a

Hitler announced "total annihilation"; Winston Churchill groaned that hard and heavy tidings were to come; Reynaud said that only a miracle could save the Army.

On that blazing beach—blazing with pitiless sunshine and

blazing with Nazi fires—the Polar and Silvertown—London's worst slums—are bombed out of existence and their inhabitants evacuated to Mayfair.

The Army was the miracle. Mayfair, in its turn, is that sprang out of every village and hamlet on the coast of England.

There was no time to mobilise this force. No time to train than the others.

Children are evacuated to

It was the spontaneous rising safety abroad—or were until

of men who go down to the sea torpedoes found them on the

in ships, in boats, in smacks, in seas. American homes house

their faces lined and hardened fish children from middle-class

to go to war, who knew how to cratice families, but the little

tack a sail and wield our Princesses, Elizabeth and Mary

and draw in nets; mechanics, who were skilful at repairing a

To be kingly means to stay rudder or handy in an engine with the kingly. The Queen

room; men in sou'westers, and converses with Mrs O'Connor,

boots, mobilised by a grapevine, and sends furniture from

Buckingham Palace to the East Army of Britain, and with it to End; and Buckingham Palace

itself, is a victim.

Thus, the war becomes a

people's war, and the King does not receive the People, but the

King. *

THE Straits of Dover became

blacker with craft than the sky above was black with

The revolutionary clan of

National Socialism falters

against this new spirit. To

the corridor toward the tiny this new spirit it has nothing

shaft of light and escape which to say.

Day by day the little men of

Dunkirk, stumbled with

utter exhaustion, dragged Great Britain

wounded companions, crouched again great, and make it in

for protection against planes and increasingly impossible for any

guns among the sand dunes, human soul to become a Nazi.

waded out to little boats and big And that, in itself, is a vice

boats, protected by destroyers

For National Socialism will

machine-gunned and bombed fall when no one else in the

every inch of the shallows, in world can be persuaded to be

come a Nazi.

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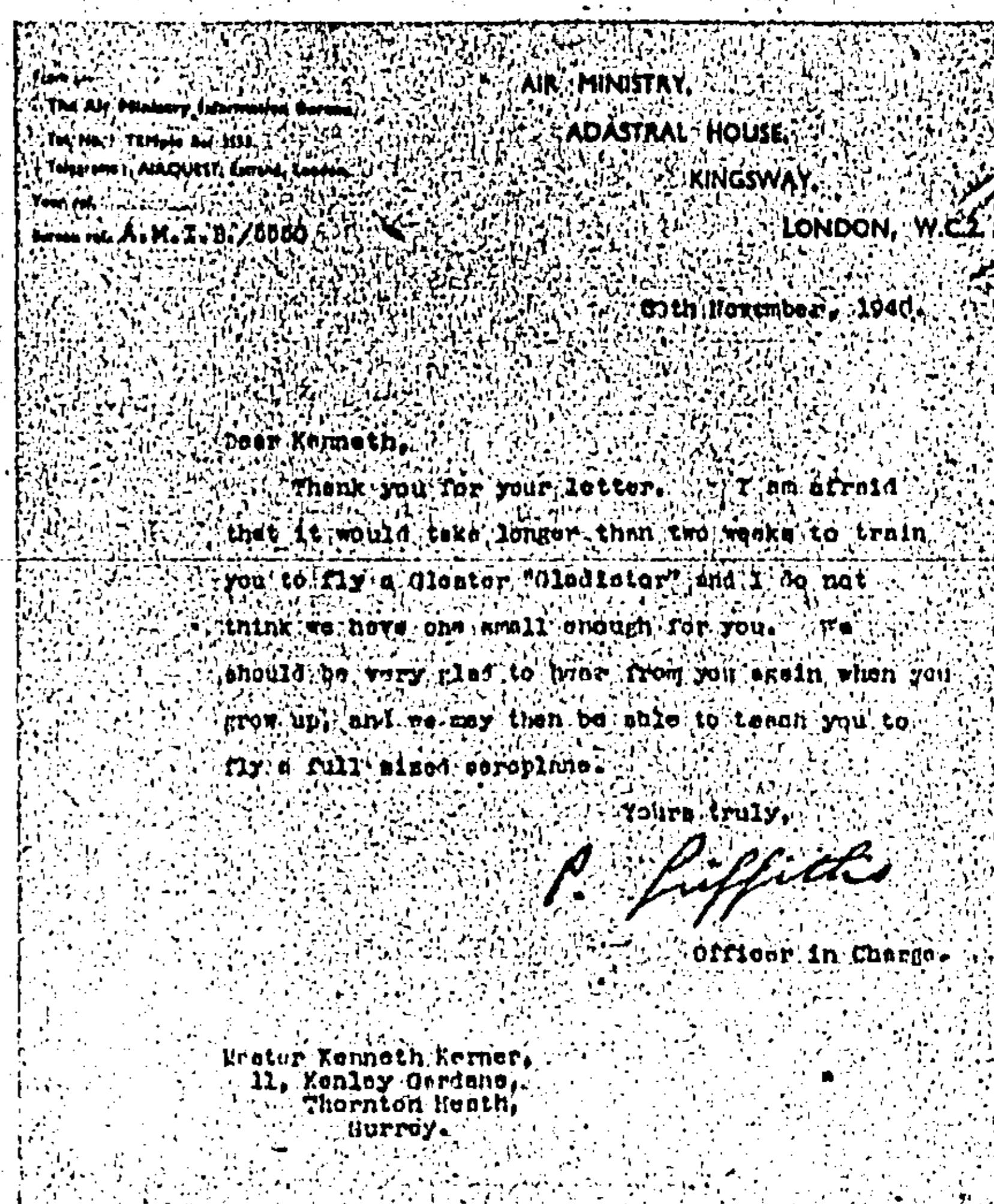
WANTS TO JOIN R.A.F.—Nine-year-old Kenneth Kerner saw a coupon in the paper inviting readers to write for details regarding service with the R.A.F., and his enthusiasm was fired. He wrote to the Air Ministry without delay



AIR RAID DAMAGE IN BRISTOL—The burnt-out Temple Church after the Nazis dropped incendiary bombs on the city.



....In the picture above, Kenneth is seen at home with his fleet of model aircraft, which he is camouflaging with the aid of his paint box. The Air Ministry, as shown in their reply at the right, considers Kenneth too young at present. So Kenneth is impatiently waiting to grow up, and do his part in defending his motherland.



AWARDED THE M.M. for gallantry in
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Her photo appears above.

BRITISH TROOPS ON GREEK SOIL—The Bishop of Canosa is seen blessing
Bren gun carriers and light tanks which were recently sent to help the Greeks.
British soldiers are operating the equipment.



"BLOW THE MAN DOWN"—A bunch of British sailors having a good time ashore. What they lack in operatic training they more than make up for in volume.



CALL TO COLOURS—A trumpeter of General De Gaulle's Free French legions in Africa.



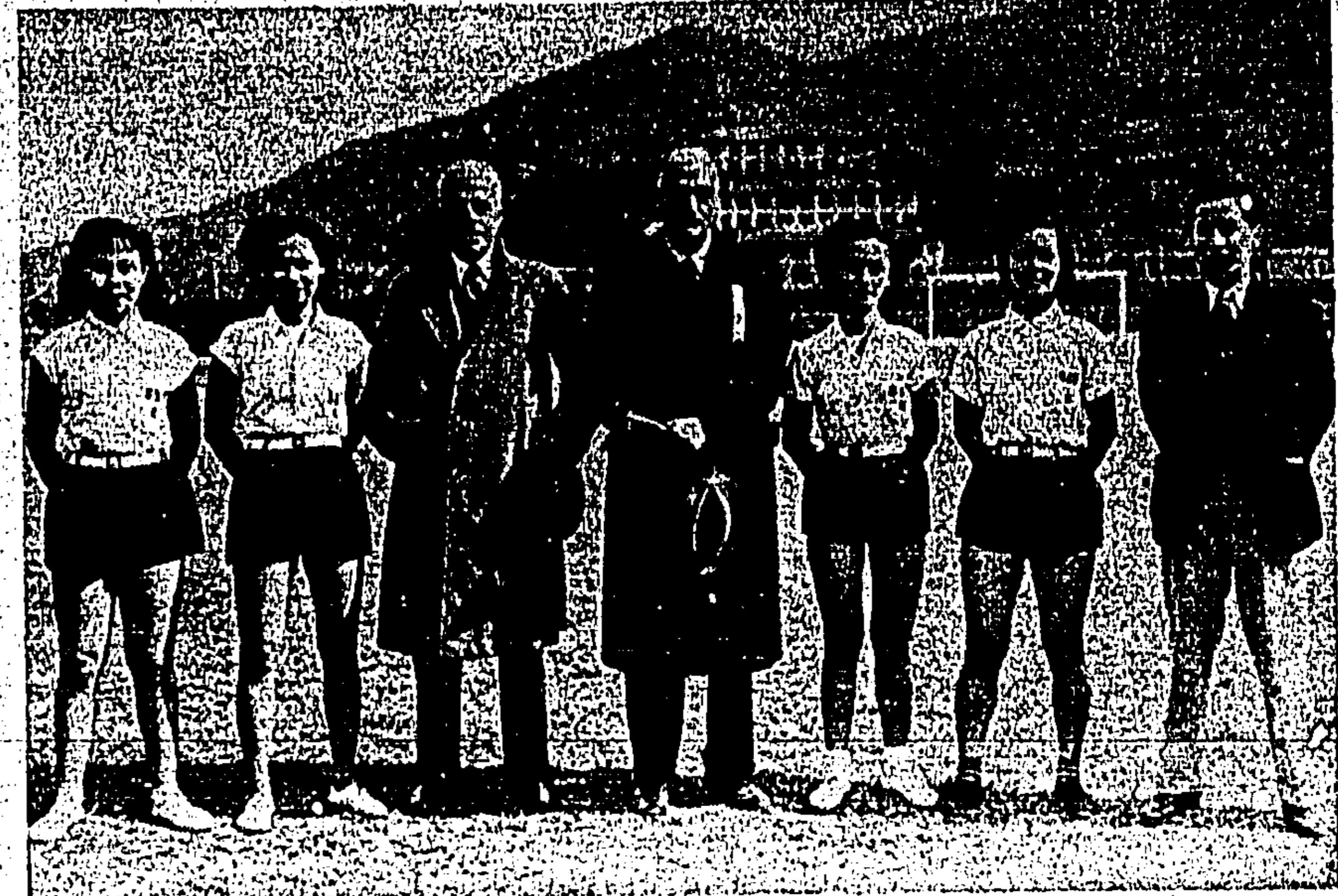
FREE FRENCH—Men of the French Colonial Infantry are assisting the British in Africa. Here is a motorised detachment going to action.



CRASHED INTO CABBAGE PATCH—This was what happened to one of Goering's Messerschmidts during a raid on England. It was one of 27 shot down in the same day.



CATHEDRAL WEDDING—Group taken after the wedding at St John's Cathedral on Tuesday of Mr John Coleman Charter and Miss Yvonne Joyce Spencer Crowley. (Photo: Ming Yuen).



A.R.P. ATHLETICS—Wing Commander A. H. S. Stoilo-Parkins and Major C. M. Manners are seen above with the Shumshui-poo Division team, winners of the 400-metres Inter-District Relay for Ladies at the A.R.P. sports last week. Below Wing Commander Stoilo-Parkins touches the tape first in a handicap flat race. Mr. H. R. Sequira makes a determined bid for second place, with Mr Tso Ka-po a close third. (Photo: Ming Yuen).



REGISTRY WEDDING—Mr and Mrs Chou Tion, who were married recently at the Registry. The bride was formerly Miss Shiu Ying. (Photo: England Studio).



LA SALLE DANCE—A happy party snapped at the dance at the Peninsula Hotel last week organised by the La Salle Old Boys' Association. Seen in the picture are Mr Sonny Castro, Mr Micky Remodios, Mr Eddy Noronha, Miss Mildred Osmund, Miss Paula Hollands, Miss Avo Gosano, Miss Lolita Yvanovich, Mr Luigi Gosano, Miss Socorro Castro, Dr E. Gosano and Miss Nina Lopes. (Photo: Ming Yuen).



WONG-MAK—Photo taken at the Registry after the marriage of Mr Wong Wan-tung, of Hin Fat and Co., and Miss Mak Wai-hing.



FANLING WINNER—Royal Wedding Evo, ridden by Cmdr Craven, being led in by Mrs W. T. Stanton after winning the San Wai Handicap. (Photo: Moi Cheung).

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THE DRAMA BEHIND THE CAPTURE OF KORITZA

The Strange Vendetta of Voyin Popovich

bandit war lord of Albania

WHO was the first man to enter Koritza and force the Italians out of it, slaying them as they ran? I am told it was Voyvoda Vuk, the War Wolf. There is no surprise in that, for Voyvoda Vuk has been the terror of the Italians among the Albanian mountains for years.

It was in 1914 I met him first. A small pack horse laden with what remained of a home in his early days, is an intimate trudged into the little Serbian town of Kra-Voyin Popovich, who is to-day leading the Albanian revolt against the deluded

BEHIND the eviction of the Italians from Koritza lies the dramatic story of a vendetta which has burned with implacable hatred since the invasion of Albania during the last war.

AND here, by a man who knew him in his early days, is an intimate portrait of the great Balkan patriot, Voyin Popovich, who is to-day leading the Albanian revolt against the deluded

minions of the puffed-up Mussolini.

By STUART MARTIN

Leading the horse was a man. On the top of the pile of goods on the horse's back was his wife. Walking beside the man was a youth barely twenty years of age. That youth was Voyin Popovich. The three were refugees from the cruelties of the Germans.

Even as a child Voyin Popovich had seen crimes that would make men shudder. When he was still in his teens his father dedicated him to fight the enemy. The very children of the village played at "fighting the Germans." It was his playmates who first christened Voyin by the name of "War Wolf."

Comitadjis Rise

His father and mother were killed in the last war. Voyin swore a great oath. He joined the military college at Belgrade; but the army could not hold him.

He came back to what is called Albania, formed a band of men and took to the hills. He became a leader of comitadjis.

Comitadjis are mostly outlaws. Voyin and his men have lived in the mountains for years, refusing to accept Italian laws, opposing Italian troops wherever they could be met, performing deeds which ordinary mountaineers admitted were almost super-human.

To the Italians Voyin and his band were just comitadjis. To the Albanians, and to the Greeks, they were patriots fighting for freedom.

When the Italians began the invasion of Greece the comitadjis rose as one man. The Greek Staff asked them whom they wanted as leader. With one voice they cried, "Give us Voyin Vuk! Give us the War Wolf!"

With the nominal rank of colonel, Vuk prepared for the fight. When other troops were forming at Salonica, under the aircraft, "To Koritza. There shadow of mount Hortiach, Vuk will be real fighting now, was already on the warpath, brothers; and I have an appointment with Colonel Branchini."

They climbed up the Pindus mountains, and they were all at that. Colonel Branchini most surrounded. The order was the Italian leader who had come for Vuk to retreat. It was put a price on the head of every comitadjis, and a thousand drachmas on that of the Wolf, to the end, and advised him to make a finish of it and fight till they were all slain.

"My children," said Vuk, "I will lead you through the Italian south of Mount Ivan. They of whom stepped forward as the gravely, respectfully; and he stamped with rage and tears in Wolf brushed past the sentries, began to hone his sword again.

"What do you want? Who are you?" he demanded.

"I come to offer my sword to Colonel Branchini. I shall tell him who I am."

"Here is Colonel Branchini coming."

Vuk saw, at the top of the stairs, a tall, pompous Bersaglieri, heavy with decorations. With him were four others.

With a leap the Wolf was up the stairs, his comitadjis at his heels. They placed themselves so that their backs were to the wall and the Italians on the top step. The corridor was empty.

"Are you Colonel Branchini?" asked the Wolf quietly.

"I am Colonel Branchini. Who are you? What do you want?"

"I am Voyvoda Vuk." It seemed as if an unexpected thrill passed through the Italians. One of them drew his revolver, but the Wolf spoke softly.

"I have come to offer you my sword, Colonel Branchini."

The Wolf held his blade in his right hand. His revolver was in his left. Branchini misunderstood him, and made an attempt to be friendly.

"Your sword, Vuk? Hah, you can cover our retreat, you and your comitadjis."

"You misinterpret my meaning," interrupted the Wolf sternly. "I offer you my sword, as we comitadjis say. Listen.

"On the walls of Koritza are bills offering a reward for my head. I saw them as I entered the town. You drove me to the hills and hunted me and my men. Shall I tell you what we have seen on our march to Koritza?"

He spoke rapidly, telling of the ruined villages, the outraged girls and women, the mutilated men, the looted houses, the burnings, ending with the terrible words: "When a comitadjis offers his sword he offers his life."

At last they crouched among the rocks and looked down on Koritza. They were there when death.

The R.A.F. came over and bombed the enemy on the roads and in the town.

Flames That Lit The Skies

One of Vuk's scouts came with the news that several Italian divisions were retreating down the western slopes of the Morovan Heights. Another scout brought the information that a Greek force had crossed the stairs, the two comitadjis and the other four Italians. The Wolf and his servant had their backs to the wall. They shouted their war cry as they fought, bayonet and sword against rebels and sword.

Branchini made an attempt to run, but he only got two steps down when the Wolf caught him, dragged him back, slammed him against the wall, and ran him through. The other three Italians were already down.

Standing On The Italian Flag

Then Vuk and his man turned and ran up the next flight of stairs, along a corridor, then up still flights. If it does not fly, a third flight and so to the flat roof.

With his sword Vuk cut down the Italian flag. Dawn had come. Down in the outskirts of the town Vuk saw his comitadjis running forward, bayonets gleaming. The Italians were fleeing before the avengers.

From the south of the town other Greek troops were coming, too, at the double.

Vuk came down the stairs over what had been the Italian line of defence outside the town. The old comitadjis carried his Greek regulars arrived at the rifle and bayonet, and at his building he found Vuk standing by the entrance surrounded by his men. He was standing on the Italian flag. The bodies of the Greeks were swarming with trucks and vehicles leaving the town. Vuk marched to the steps, on the hall floor, on the staircase. Above them all lay Branchini, stiff and stark.

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Until some better form of entertainment comes along, Thomas Mitchell, long a hold-out from the films and until a few years ago one of the leading lights of Broadway, will make motion pictures.

"It's the greatest entertainment ever devised," he says, "and after four years of seeing it from the Hollywood angle, I'm convinced that the stage, except in a few unusual cases, can't even offer competition to the movies."

Pictures, Mitchell points out, are almost invariably much better done than stage productions.

"The reason is obvious," he says. "Studios have more money to spend because they reach such a tremendous audience. They can do things over and over until they're perfect. With their resources they can get the very best actors, writers and directors. They can spend vast sums on settings. The result is that when you see the average picture, it's much better than the average play. The screen has many advantages over the stage."

Thrilling Adventure
Mitchell is playing one of the leading roles in John Ford's picturisation of "The Long Voyage Home" and he points to this thrilling sea adventure as an unusual example of the screen's superiority over the stage in entertainment.

"The picture is an adaptation of four one-act plays by Eugene O'Neill," he says. "All of them have the same characters. They were coupled together on the stage for a full evening's entertainment, but not more than a few thousand people ever saw them.

"For picture purposes, instead of four separate plays, Dudley Nichols has written an excellent adaptation that includes the material of all the plays and adds continuity and a story to hold them together. The result is an improvement on O'Neill's original idea of entertainment. Millions of people will see the picture when it is shown in the movie theatres of the world, and it will bring enjoyment to a vast audience which knows little about the courage and character of these men of the sea, or about America's most distinguished playwright."

★ ★ ★
Metro - Goldwyn - Mayer announces acquisition of the Broadway musical success, "Lady, Be Good" as a tri-starring vehicle for Ann Sothern, Eleanor Powell and Tony Martin. When presented in New York in 1925, "Lady, Be Good" featured music by George Gershwin and performances by two young players, who were relatively unknown at the time, Fred and Adele Astaire.

★ ★ ★
James Hilton is looking forward to the day when "Blossom" will be partners for life.



Deanna Durbin, nineteen-years-old singing star, has told an interviewer, "My marriage will last for ever."

Deanna recently became engaged to Vaughan Paul, 25-years-old associate producer.

"I'm on top of the world, and every woman in the world will know how happy I am," she said.

"This won't be just one of these 'Hollywood marriages.' It will last for ever."

Deanna first met Vaughan way back in 1936 when she was 15. He has been a steady boy friend ever since.

Her films since then have brought her in about £1,000 a week and lots more than that to the film company who cashed in on the unsophisticated charm of her sweet personality.

Here are the things Deanna told the reporter.....

Spencer Tracy is very proud of an autographed photograph that reached him recently. It was from President Roosevelt, with signature, "To My Friend, Spencer Tracy, from Franklin D. Roosevelt." Tracy particularly appreciated the President's thoughtfulness, because the Chief Executive had taken the time in the midst of his campaign to send the picture.

"And he is a most brilliant young director..... could anything be better?"

"I will go on making films but they will take second place to my marriage now."

"Material success and

Vaughan Paul and I will be partners for life.

"We are interested in fame are nothing compared to love. Now the London Hospital

"WATERLOO BRIDGE"

—at Queen's and Alhambra

"Waterloo, Waterloo, Waterloo, wretched plain," moaned Victor Hugo, and Robert Sherwood, who wrote the play on which the film that is showing this week-end at the Queen's and Alhambra is based, makes it a pretty miserable bridge, too.

"Waterloo Bridge" was made several years ago as a silent film, and now MGM, with characteristic adroitness, has resurrected the tale and makes it palatable to 1941 audiences.

In the beginning, your Bob Taylor is the best-looking brass-hat in the British Army—heavy with tabs, braid, greying hair, and sorrow.

He stops his limousine on Waterloo Bridge, stands there brooding. And then you're flushed back to a 1917 air raid, and you realise that Colonel Taylor is dreaming of the time when Captain Taylor (best-looking captain in the British Army) stood in that self-same spot, sheltering a little waif-like ballet dancer, Vivien Leigh, from the bombs.

Naturally, before the special constables bawled out the "All clear," they were in love.

What a love! It overrides the tyranny of an iron-willed ballet mistress (Maria Ouspenskaya) . . . it sends your Captain Taylor running to his ducal colonel-in-chief (C. Aubrey Smith) for permission to marry . . . and it breaks little Miss Leigh's heart.

Because Captain Taylor is recalled suddenly to France, and she is left jobless and penniless—going from bad to worse and then some.

So that by the time Captain Taylor returns to introduce her to the ducal estates (and society) in Scotland she is a Woman With A Past.

First she thinks she'll bluff him—then she thinks she'll save his honour by running away. So she ends by throwing her poor, unhappy little body under a passing ambulance on Waterloo Bridge.

There are crudities in the story, but for good dialogue, fine acting and faithful period detail it is in its own class. Virginia Field, as Vivien Leigh's girl friend, impresses particularly by her performance.



Robert Taylor and Vivien Leigh in "Waterloo Bridge"

"THE LADY IN QUESTION"

—at the King's

"The Lady In Question" is the current show at the King's. Behold, Brian Aherne in flowing moustaches, as he tends his bicycle shop in Paris. And then, he fulfils the ambition of his life—he gets called to serve on a jury.

His one pertinent question to a witness saves the life of Rita Hayworth, on trial for murder, and then Brian takes the poor girl home, gives her a job in his shop.

Mrs Brian—Irene Rich—doesn't know who the girl is. But son of the house, Glenn Ford, does. The complications, most of them obvious, which follow the situation, make the rest of the film.

Curt Bois, inquisitive juror who keeps bobbing into the bicycle shop, does a grand job of work. Brian Aherne does a better.

This little comedy, which skirts the edge of tragedy all the time, will keep you amused and interested from the first shot to the all-clear.

Albert Hall to sing for the same things, the pared to love. Now the London Hospital

same books, the same that I have found love, bicentenary appeal, and ideas.

I'm not going to let it Queen Mary was to hear me—but again the war

Every woman, every stopped it.

..... could anything be girl, knows what I

"But war will not stop

us from having the most

"We would have liked marvellous honeymoon.

to have spent our honey.

Perhaps we will go to

moon in England—but Canada. I was born

war will prevent that. there, and I would love

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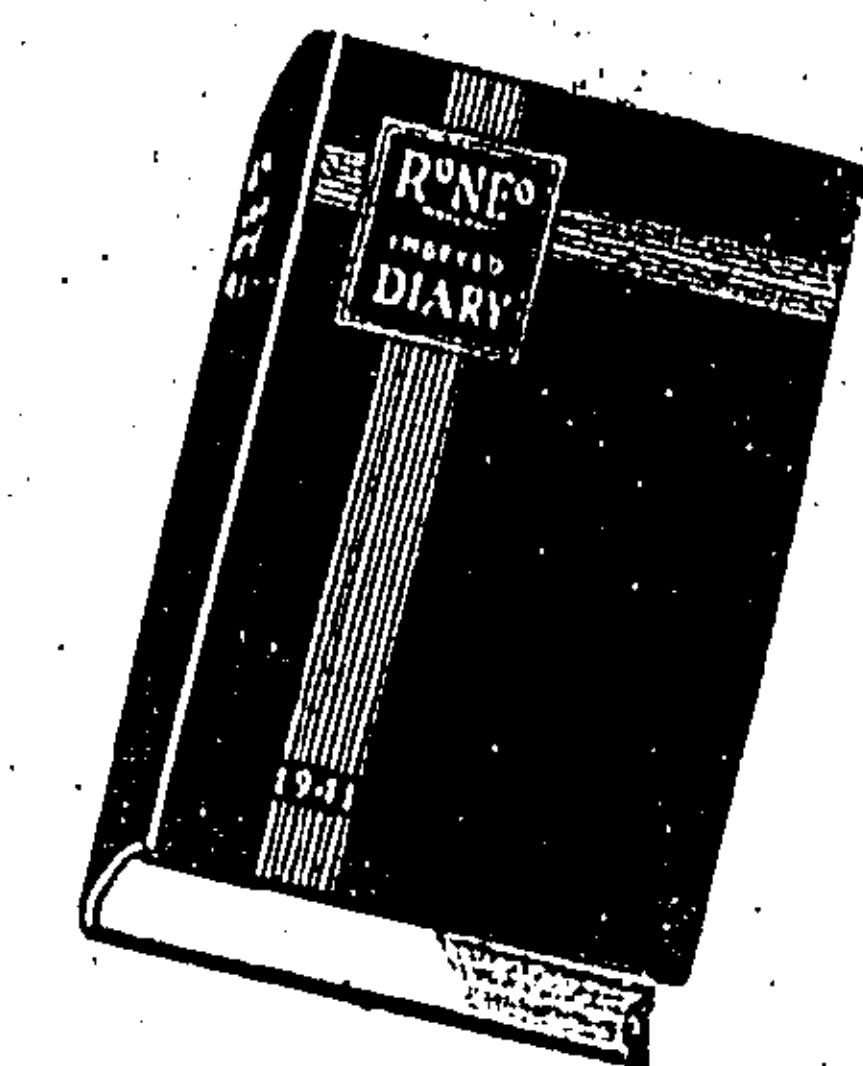
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STRONG MAN—Marcel B. Payouton, French Minister of Interior, who heads newly created militant secret police. New police are called Protection Guards, or GP-men, and are all definitely anti-left.

A. CARLSEN—Meet Alexander Carl森, left, arriving in New York to spend holidays with his family. He's really Crown Prince Olaf of Norway, travelling incognito from England. Dr. C. J. Hambro, Parliament president, right.

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A WINTER bugbear in all families with young children is the numerous colds from which they suffer. This is especially true in babies. They begin with a stopped-up nose, running eyes, some fever and a bad temper. They also have difficulty in sleeping and nursing because they cannot breathe through the nose. The cold usually begins suddenly and develops rapidly.

Of itself, a cold may be only a nuisance, but if not checked it may descend into the larynx and laryngitis, croup and finally bronchopneumonia may result, with extremely serious illness.

How do babies catch cold? Well, ninety-nine times out of a hundred it is because some one in the family or a visitor who has a cold, coughs in their faces, fondles and kisses them, thus planting the seeds for a sick spell.

Some day we are going to be wise enough to compel everyone with a cold to stay at home in bed, or wear a mask if he leaves his own rooms.

Everybody Has Cure

All grandmothers and other relatives, also the neighbours, have a cure for babies' colds—everybody but the doctor. He knows that a well-developed cold will become worse and his only hopes are that laryngitis and pneumonia may be prevented.

Babies do not take medicines readily and drugs are not advisable except in extreme cases. Yet a cold must be overcome promptly or the baby will receive a setback. As a general rule, a mild laxative should be given at once. Not because he is constipated, but that all undigested food may be removed. Fever retards digestion, and the secretions from the nose and throat carrying the offending germs are swallowed and drive the infection down into the intestines where they multiply rapidly.

We use a small dose of castor oil which cleans off and leaves the walls healthy. Or six to ten tablets, each containing one-tenth grain of calomel, given at hourly intervals. This liquefies the bile, which acts as an antiseptic and is often of benefit.

As soon as a cold is noticed, give a warm bath, placing the child in a tub or pan of warm water in which some ground mustard is dissolved. Enough mustard should be used to turn the water a light lemon colour. The entire body is immersed except the head. The body should be gently massaged and a little cool water applied to the head.

As soon as the child's skin becomes flushed, he should be removed from the water, dried promptly, wrapped in a warm gown and placed in a warm bed. Not too much covering, because if he gets too warm he becomes restless and kicks off the cover. Later the face, nose, neck, behind the ears and the upper chest should be rubbed with camphorated oil.

Repeat Mustard Bath

Thus we relieve the congestion, draw the blood to the surface and give nature every chance to overcome the infection. Camphorated oil rubs may be repeated every few hours. If relief does not come in a few hours, the warm mustard bath can be repeated. The child should be given all the water he will take. Diet should be light. It is often wise to withhold milk for a number of

Answers To
QUIZ

- U.S. Consul-General at Shanghai.
- (a) electricity
- (b) physics
- (c) astrology
- (d) biology.
- Little Bear.
- A town in Eritrea, recently taken by the British.
- T. S. Eliot.
- Cesar's wife.
- Garibaldi.
- The Chinese.
- Diving bird.
- The campaign against the Fifth Column. He is chairman of the Committee Investigating Un-American Activities.

STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange Official Summary, issued yesterday says, "Quiet conditions continue to prevail, the bulk of the turnover being in Banks and Government 8 1/2% Loan. During the past week, the volume of business was on a small scale."

Business done during the week

H.K. Banks \$1,400, \$1,410
H.K. Fire Ins. \$107 1/2
Wharves \$90
Docks "N" \$17
Provident \$31/2
Hotels \$25
Lands \$24.25, \$34 1/4
Trams \$17.00
Lights "O" \$0.30, \$0.10
Electric "N" \$40.00, \$40.30
Ropes "N" \$30.00
Dairy Farms \$10.20
Watsons 11.10, \$11.10
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Buyers

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London, Jan. 29.
The death is announced of Sir William Llewellyn, the portrait painter. He died in London on Tuesday night, aged 77. A former President of the Royal Academy, he held office for ten years.—Reuters.

London, Jan. 13.
Charlie Chaplin's picture "The Great Dictator" has been banned in Eire by the Eire Government. The film is now being shown in Belfast.—Our Own Correspondent.

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